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Funeral Protesters to Pay $11M

PUNISHED: Pastor Fred Phelps and daughter Margie J. Phelps of Kansas-based Westboro Baptist Church picket outside the federal courthouse in Baltimore on Wednesday. A grieving father won a nearly $11 million verdict against the church, whose members picket military funerals claiming the war in Iraq is a punishment for the nation's tolerance of gays. ✤ **Message:** Verdict hits church hard | **Page 11**

3 Guilty In Madrid Bombings

Accused ringleader of 2004 terrorist attack is acquitted

MADRID, SPAIN | Spain's National Court convicted the three main suspects in the Madrid commuter train bombings of mass murder Wednesday and sentenced them to tens of thousands of years in prison for Europe's worst Islamic terror attack.

Osman

But the verdict was a mixed bag for prosecutors, who saw four other key defendants convicted of lesser offenses and an accused ringleader acquitted altogether.

With much of the case resting on circumstantial evidence, the three judges may have been wary after a number of high-profile Spanish terror cases were overturned on appeal.

Spain's prime minister said the verdict still upheld justice. But victims of the attack, which killed 191 people and wounded more than 1,800 when bombs exploded on four trains on March 11, 2004, expressed shock and sadness over the court's decision.

Three lead suspects — Jamal Zougam and Othman Gnaoui of Morocco and Emilio Suarez Trashorras of Spain — were convicted of murder and attempted murder and received prison sentences ranging from 34,000 to 43,000 years. Under Spanish law, the most they will spend in jail is 40 years.

One of the biggest surprises was the acquittal of Rabei Osman, an Egyptian already convicted and jailed in Italy for the Madrid bombings. PAUL HAVEN (AP)

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Killjoy Renders Santa Fe Boring Again

An investigator has debugged the mystery of the Santa Fe Courthouse ghost — a specter captured on a blurry surveillance videotape. "It was, in fact, a bug or insect of some sort that was on the lens of the surveillance camera," said Benjamin Radford, managing editor of Skeptical Inquirer magazine. The image — a glowing spot drifting in front of a patrol car parked beneath some trees — generated more than 132,000 hits on YouTube since Santa Fe County Deputy Alfred Arana first noticed the image June 15. (AP)

OVEREATING

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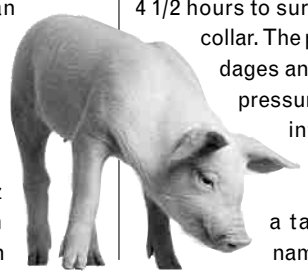

A Winona, Minn., woman wants abuse charges filed against an acquaintance who was pet-sitting for her potbellied pig and allowed the animal to get fat. Michelle Schmitz said pig Alaina Templeton weighed 50 pounds when Schmitz left her with the sitter for a few months to go on medical leave. Nine months later, the pig weighed 150 pounds and it took veterinarians 4 1/2 hours to surgically remove her collar. The pig now wears bandages and is healing from a pressure wound and neck infection. "That pig is my life," said Schmitz, who has a tattoo of Alaina's name. (AP)

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SCORING

'Turn the Other Cheek ... It's an 8.5'

Forty-two finalists from 26 countries paraded their highly sculpted rears at the "Show Me Your Sloggi" Bottom World Championship in Munich, Germany, on Wednesday. The jury's very special job: to choose the most beautiful bottom in the world. (EXPRESS)

TAXATION

All Pie Makers Must Fill Out Form P-07

The Iowa Department of Revenue is taxing jack-o'-lanterns this Halloween. The new policy was implemented after officials decided that pumpkins are used primarily for Halloween decorations, not food. Previously, pumpkins had been considered an edible squash. The department ruled this year that pumpkins are taxable if advertised for use as decorations. Iowans planning to eat pumpkins can get a tax exemption if they fill out a form. (AP)

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PULLING TEETH: The government announced an eleventh-hour recall on Wednesday to warn consumers that fake Halloween teeth from China sold by the tens of thousands since last year contain excessive amounts of lead. The product is called "Ugly Teeth."

Nation

In Brief

SUSAN WALSH/AP

The Senate Judiciary Committee will vote on Mukasey's nomination Tuesday.

WASHINGTON

Mukasey Losing Support For Confirmation Vote

Prospects for Michael Mukasey's confirmation as the nation's 81st attorney general dimmed Wednesday after he again refused to equate waterboarding with torture. Sen. Sheldon Whitehouse, D-R.I., said he would oppose Mukasey's confirmation, as did Senate Majority Whip Dick Durbin, D-Ill., which means three of the 10 Democrats on the Senate Judiciary Committee will vote against Mukasey's nomination on Tuesday. (AP)

CAMDEN, N.J.

Man Linked to Fort Dix Plot Pleads Guilty to Conspiracy

A New Jersey baker pleaded guilty on Wednesday to conspiring to provide weapons to a group of men accused of plotting an attack on Fort Dix. Agron Abdullahu, 25, faces up to five years in federal prison. Federal prosecutors have portrayed the New Jersey resident as having the smallest role among the six men arrested in the case. (AP)

Study: Parent-Kid Interaction Is Up

Data show that more parents are restricting children's TV viewing

WASHINGTON | Parents are taking a more active role in raising their children than they did a decade ago, setting greater restrictions on TV watching and reading more to youngsters, the government reported Wednesday.

Teenagers are also participating in more extracurricular activities that focus on education, at the expense of sports, according to the study.

The findings suggest that adults are reacting to a more dangerous world, while both parents and students are dealing with increased competition to get into good colleges, experts said.

The report is from the Census Bureau's 2004 survey of income and program participation, which had a sample of 46,500 households. The results were compared with answers from the same survey questions in 1994.

In 2004, about 47 percent of teenagers had multiple TV restrictions, including limits on program types, the time of day they could watch and how much they could see. That compares with 40 percent in 1994.

Nearly 71 percent of children age 6 to 11 had such limits in 2004, compared with 60 percent a decade earlier.

"All you have to do is own a TV," said Hattery, a parent. "I'm shocked at what you can see at 8 o'clock."

STEPHEN OHLEMACHER (AP)

READING ROUTINE

- More parents read to their children in 2004 than a decade earlier, according to the study. Overall, 51 percent of parents with children ages 3 to 5 said they had read to them at least seven times per week in 2004, compared with about 47 percent in 1994.
- The study also found that the share of teens who played sports dropped slightly, from 42 percent to 39 percent.

WASHINGTON | THE PERFECT RUNNING MATE

SUSAN WALSH/AP

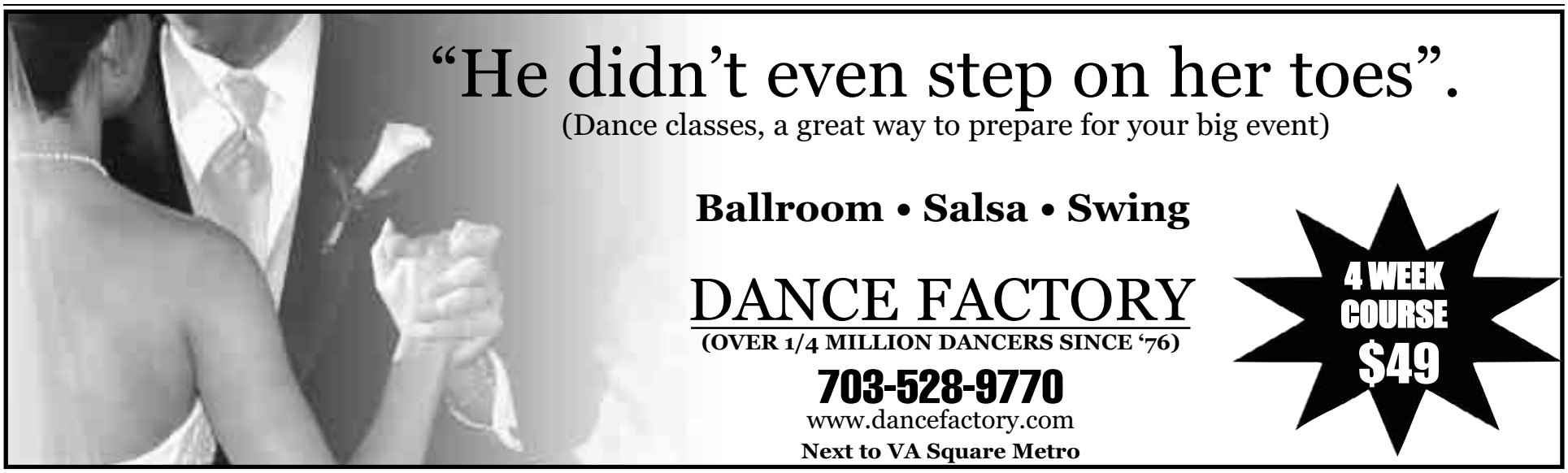
THE LIKENESS IS UNCANNY: Democratic presidential hopeful Sen. Joe Biden, D-Del., left, laughs after Sen. Chuck Hagel, R-Neb., right, entered a committee hearing on Capitol Hill dressed up as Biden as a Halloween prank.

NASA Promises Air Safety Study Will Be Released

WASHINGTON | Abandoning secrecy claims, NASA promised Congress on Wednesday it will reveal results of an unprecedented federal aviation survey which found that aircraft near collisions, runway interference and other safety problems occur far more often than previously recognized.

Griffin

NASA had said previously it was withholding the information because it feared it would upset air travelers and hurt the airlines. NASA administrator Michael Griffin apologized for that decision. (AP)



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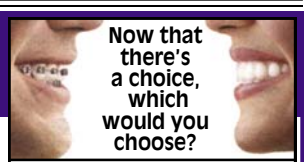

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8.7 | **The total amount of carbon dioxide, in tons,** released into the atmosphere by the California wildfires last week, more than Vermont produces in a year, Colorado researchers say.

NASA Plans Tricky Repair

Astronauts will have to scrap solar panel if tear cannot be fixed

CAPE CANAVERAL, FLA. | NASA canceled Thursday's spacewalk to inspect a snarled joint for a set of solar panels and instead instructed its orbiting astronauts to go out a day later to try to fix a torn solar wing.

The newly ripped wing is now the more pressing of the two problems at the international space station, both of which involve the crucial power system and threaten to disrupt future construction work.

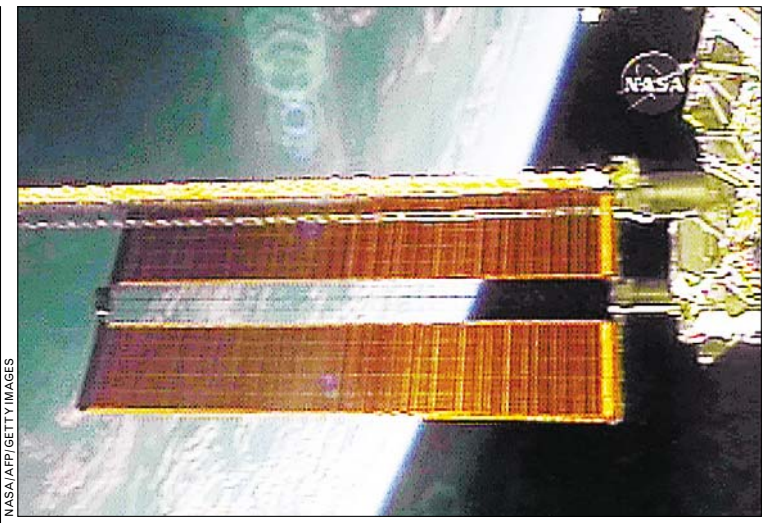
NASA fears the damage could worsen and the wing could lose all power-collecting capability and become unstable. If that happened, the wing would have to be junked, said NASA's space station program manager, Mike Suffredini.

"We've made it a priority to go repair it," Suffredini said.

Engineers scrambled to put together a plan for a spacewalk as early as Friday to tackle the wing, which remains partially deployed. It ripped in two places as it was being unfurled by astronauts aboard the linked shuttle-station complex Tuesday, and a hinge may have been yanked and partially ripped.

"[The repairs are] not really very far outside of our scope of experience, and I'm comfortable that it's something we're going to be able to put together," said flight director Derek Hassma–nn.

He added: "It's going to be fast and furious over the next couple of days." MARCIA DUNN (AP)



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NASA is scrambling to put together a plan to fix a tear that was found Tuesday in a solar wing that is supposed to provide power to the international space station.

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KITTY CODE: An Abyssinian cat from Missouri has just made scientific history. Researchers have largely decoded its DNA, an achievement that may lead to treatments for both feline and human diseases. Scientists have already unraveled the DNA of about two dozen other mammals.

Longtime Bush Adviser to Quit Post

Hughes directed effort to improve U.S. image in the Muslim world

WASHINGTON | Karen Hughes, who led efforts to improve the U.S. image abroad and was one of President Bush's last remaining advisers from his days as Texas governor, will leave the government at the end of the year.

Hughes said she plans to quit her job as undersecretary of state and return to Texas, although improving the world's view of the United States is a "long-term challenge" that will outlast her.

White House press secretary Dana Perino said Hughes told Bush as far back as the summer that she would need to be back home in Texas by the end of the year. The president was sad to hear the news, but understood, Perino said.

ALEX WONG/GETTY IMAGES

Karen Hughes, who has been an adviser to President Bush for years, will resign from the State Department at the end of the year. She says she will return to Texas.

Bush and Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice picked Hughes two years ago to retool the way the United States sells its policies, ideals and views overseas. Hughes, a former television reporter and media adviser, has focused on changing the way the United States engages and responds to criticism or misinformation in the Muslim world.

Heading the broad category of U.S. outreach known as public diplomacy, Hughes sent Arabic speakers to do four times as many interviews with Arabic media as in previous years and set up rapid public relations response centers to monitor and respond to the news.

Hughes' performance drew mixed reviews in the Muslim world. She got credit for hard work and frequent travel but was prone to gaffes such as vastly overstating Saddam Hussein's use of poison gas against his people before he was deposed by a U.S.-led invasion in 2003.

ANNE GEARAN (AP)

Boy Admits He Started One of The Calif. Fires

LOS ANGELES | Officials blamed a wildfire that consumed more than 38,000 acres and destroyed 21 homes last week on a boy playing with matches and said they would ask a prosecutor to consider the case.

The boy admitted to sparking the fire on Oct. 21, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Sgt. Diane Hecht said Tuesday. "He admitted to playing with matches and accidentally starting the fire," she said.

Police did not release the boy's name. Los Angeles County fire Capt. Michael Brown would say Wednesday only that he was younger than 13. The blaze was among 15 or so wildfires that destroyed some 2,100 homes in Southern California last week. (AP)

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D'OHN'T ASK: He's gone to great lengths to shake off his once-dour image, but a trip to Springfield is a step too far for British Prime Minister Gordon Brown. Brown says he has no plans to follow predecessor Tony Blair in making a cameo appearance on "The Simpsons."

World

In Brief

RIA NOVOSTI/AP

A bombing killed eight in Russia amid speculation that it was a terror attack.

MOSCOW

Bus Blast Kills 8, Wounds Dozens in Central Russia

A strong bomb shredded a passenger bus Wednesday, killing eight people and injuring more than 60 in a central Russian city known for gang violence. One official speculated the blast in Togliatti was a terrorist attack, but others said that was only one possibility. They said investigators were also looking into whether it resulted from a turf battle between criminals or even the careless handling of explosives. (AP)

MADRID, SPAIN

Parliament Denounces Ex-Leader Franco's Regime

Parliament condemned Gen. Francisco Franco's nearly 40-year dictatorship Wednesday in historic legislation addressing a dark chapter of Spanish history that had been largely off-limits. The bill sponsored by the Socialist government and passed by the lower house of parliament also makes symbolic amends to victims of the 1936-1939 Spanish Civil War. (AP)

U.N.: Sudan Forcibly Clearing Camps

Government accused of moving refugees against their will

OTASH CAMP, SUDAN | Sudanese officials have been pressuring people to leave refugee camps in its war-torn Darfur province in recent weeks, and United Nations officials say the regime has even forcibly loaded some civilians onto trucks to clear them out.

Rights activists say Sudan hopes to empty the camps before January, when a U.N.-African Union force of 26,000 peacekeepers is to deploy in Darfur. Some refugee leaders think the Arab-dominated regime wants to scatter the ethnic African refugees before a national census.

Sudanese officials agree they want the camps to close, saying the camps have become too big, squalid and dangerous and have made refugees too dependent on humanitarian aid. They insist, however, that no one is being forced to leave.

But this week, U.N. officials said they had evidence Sudanese government forces were chasing refugees out of at least one camp — Otash, which houses 60,000 people on the outskirts of south Darfur's capital, Nyala.

AP

Refugees in Darfur are being forced out of camps, U.N. officials have said.

"Given that security forces were threatening the displaced with sticks and rubber hoses at Otash camp, the involuntary nature of this relocation is clear," the U.N. humanitarian chief, John Holmes, said.

He said such practices violated U.N. agreements with Sudan on the treatment of people forced from their homes during a nearly five-year war.

ALFRED DE MONTESQUIOU (AP)

PORTSMOUTH, ENGLAND | PRINCE HARRY DIVES INTO NEW JOB

TIM OCKENDEN/AP

ROYAL VISIT: Britain's Prince Harry, center, performs some underwater engineering with the Royal Navy's fleet diving squadron on Wednesday during his first visit since being named the commodore in chief of small ships and diving.

Death Toll Rises To 60 as Noel Moves to Florida

SANTO DOMINGO, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC | The tail end of Tropical Storm Noel triggered mud slides and floods in the Dominican Republic and Haiti as the death toll rose to 60 on Wednesday — deadlier than all but one Atlantic hurricane this season.

The slow-moving storm lurched out of Cuba and stalled over the Atlantic but was projected to skirt Florida and batter the Bahamas, the U.S. National Hurricane Center said. Rescuers were struggling to reach communities cut off by flooding on the island of Hispaniola. As they did, they found a rising toll of death and damage — at least 41 dead in the Dominican Republic, 18 in Haiti and one in Jamaica. (AP)

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World

Monks Restart Protests

More than 100 march in first assembly since Myanmar crackdown

YANGON, MYANMAR | More than 100 Buddhist monks marched peacefully Wednesday in a northern Myanmar town noted for its defiance of the country's military rulers, the first large protest since the junta violently crushed a wave of anti-government demonstrations.

The monks marched for nearly an hour in the town of Pakokku, chanting a Buddhist prayer that has come to be associated with the pro-democracy cause. They did not carry signs or shout slogans, but their action was clearly in defiance of the military government, as one monk spelled out in a radio interview.

"We are continuing our protest from last month, as we have not yet achieved any of the demands we asked for," the monk told the Democratic Voice of Burma, a Norway-based short-wave radio station and Web site run by dissident journalists.

He said they had little time to organize the march, so it was small. But "there will be more organized and bigger protests soon." (AP)

GERMANY | WITCH WAY

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GHOST TOWN: Sandra Gambino, surrounded by self-made dolls, readies for Halloween in Hamburg, Germany, Wednesday.

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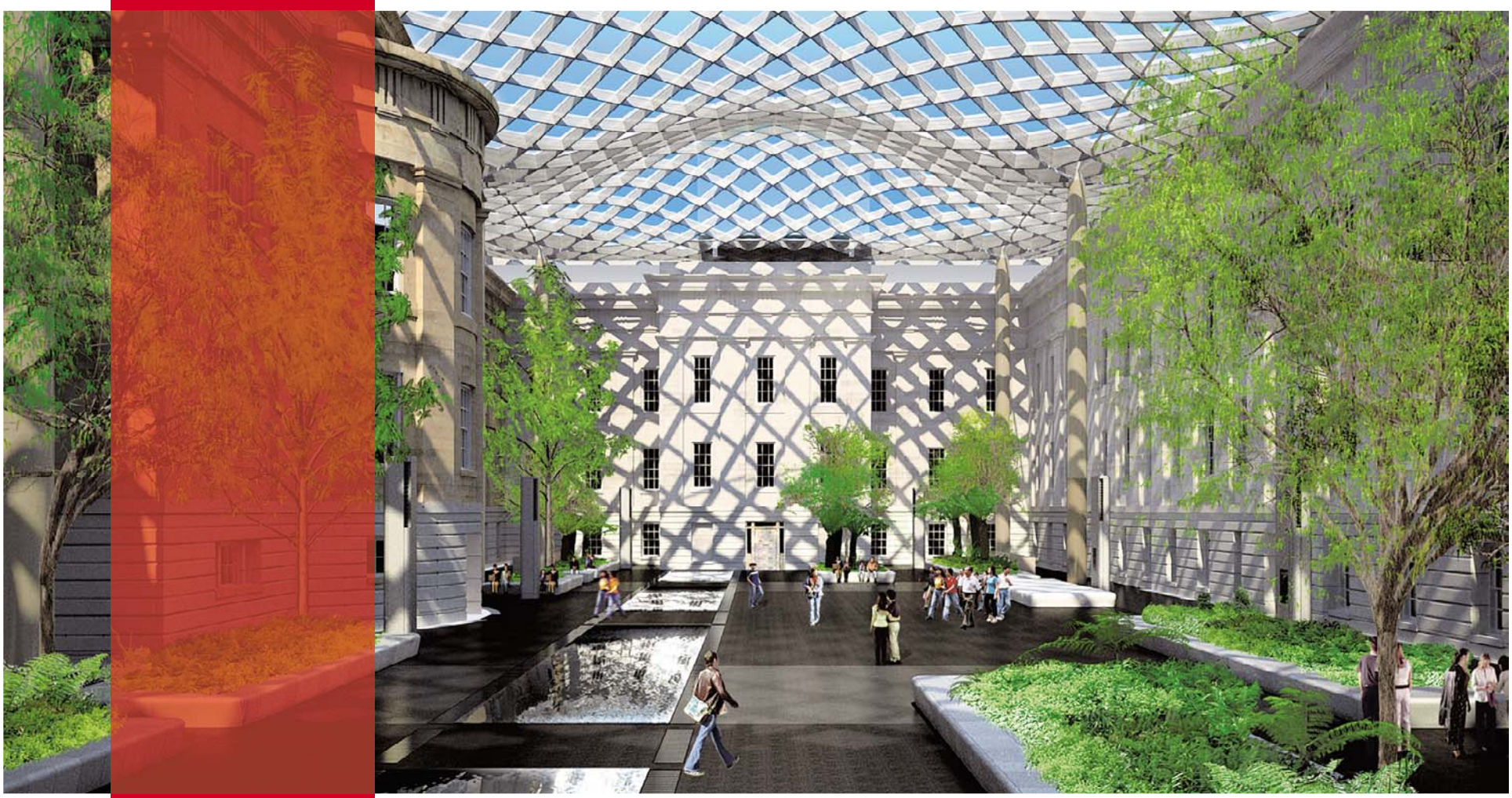

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Local

D.C. Cabbies Hold Halloween Strike

1-day work stoppage held to protest change to meters in taxis

WASHINGTON | Bewildered travelers faced 30-minute waits for taxis Wednesday as drivers in the District of Columbia held a 24-hour Halloween strike to protest the mayor's decision to require meters in cabs.

At Union Station, the line for taxis reached several dozen people as morning trains from New York City and other points arrived. A dispatcher called out destinations to encourage people to share the scarce cabs, and unlicensed drivers trolled the back of the line for potential passengers. At downtown hotels, doormen said they were steering more of their business to limousine companies to fill the gap.

It was impossible to gauge exactly how many cab drivers were participating in the strike, but the head of one major cab company said it was operating with just 25 percent of its fleet. Officials with the Taxicab Industry Group had predicted a majority of the city's approximately 7,500 drivers would stay off the streets.

The real test was expected to come at night because of Halloween. Revelers have traditionally flocked to Georgetown, a neighborhood with no Metro stop. (AP)

KEVIN CLARK/TWP

Romeo Tchougoue runs to hail a cab during the taxi strike Wednesday in D.C.

The Lotteries

Wednesday, Oct. 31

DISTRICT

Mid-day Lucky Numbers	4-0-9
Evening Lucky Numbers (Tues.)	3-2-1
Mid-day DC 4	6-5-0-3
Evening DC 4 (Tues.)	6-3-0-5
Rolling Cash Five (Tues.)	4-23-24-26-35
Daily 6 (Tues.)	6-10-19-23-24-31 Bonus: 5

MARYLAND

Mid-day Pick 3	8-0-4
Evening Pick 3 (Tues.)	2-3-5
Mid-day Pick 4	4-8-3-0
Evening Pick 4 (Tues.)	0-6-6-5
Match 5 (Tues.)	18-21-26-30-34 Bonus: 12

VIRGINIA

Mid-day Pick 3 (Wed.)	3-1-0
Evening Pick 3 (Tues.)	0-8-9
Mid-day Pick 4 (Wed.)	9-1-1-0
Evening Pick 4 (Tues.)	0-8-9-8
Mid-day Cash 5 (Wed.)	3-5-7-10-28
Evening Cash 5 (Tues.)	15-16-23-26-30

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Mega Millions (Tues.)	2-8-44-46-51
Mega Ball	22

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IN The Washington Post | DANGERS WITH CANDY

LINDA DAVIDSON/TWP

BRACES, BEWARE: Orthodontist Henry DiLorenzo, right, of Maryland Orthodontics dresses up as a velvet cowboy for Halloween while reminding patients not to eat hard candy because it could break their braces.

✣ **Candy craze:** After-hours dentist calls are typical on Oct. 31 | **Today's Metro**

Father Awarded $11M For Protest at Funeral

Jury finds Kan. church invaded kin's privacy when picketing burial

BALTIMORE | The father of a fallen Marine was awarded nearly $11 million Wednesday in damages by a jury that found leaders of a fundamentalist church had invaded the family's privacy and inflicted emotional distress when they picketed the Marine's funeral.

The jury first awarded $2.9 million in compensatory damages. It returned later in the afternoon with its decision to award $6 million in punitive damages for invasion of privacy and $2 million for causing emotional distress to the Marine's father, Albert Snyder of York, Pa.

Snyder sued the Kansas-based Westboro Baptist Church for unspecified monetary damages after members staged a demonstration at the March 2006 funeral of his son, Lance Cpl. Matthew Snyder, who was killed in Iraq.

Church members picket military funerals out of a belief that U.S. deaths in the war in Iraq are punishment for the nation's tolerance of homosexuality.

Their attorneys argued in closing statements Tuesday that the burial was a public event and that even abhorrent points of view are protected by the First Amendment.

Snyder sobbed when he heard the verdict, while members of the church greeted the news with tight-lipped smiles. (AP)

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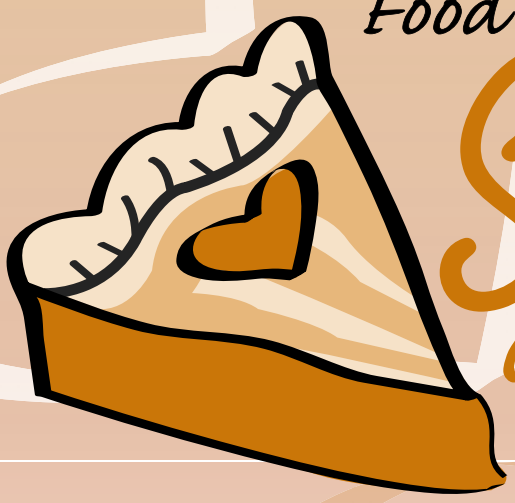

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Money

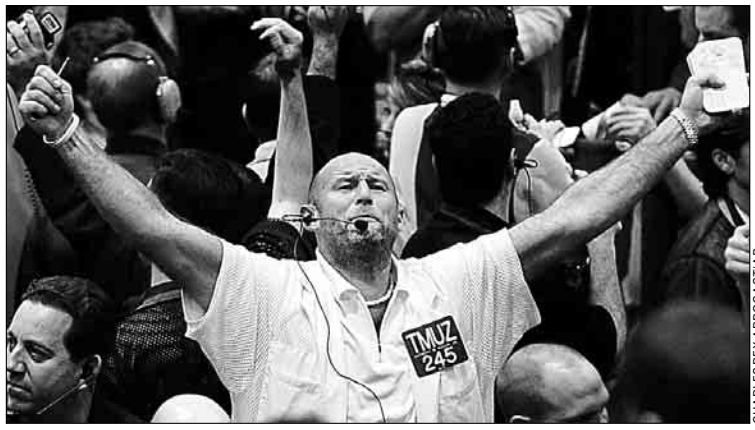
Fed Cuts Key Interest Rate

Bernanke makes move in effort to offset the slow housing industry

WASHINGTON | The Federal Reserve sliced an important interest rate Wednesday — its second reduction in the last six weeks — to help the economy survive the strains of a deepening housing slump that is likely to crimp growth in coming months.

Fed Chairman Ben Bernanke and all but one of his colleagues agreed to lower the federal funds rate by one-quarter percentage point to 4.50 percent at the end of a two-day meeting.

"The pace of economic expansion will likely slow in the near term, partly reflecting the intensification of the housing correction," the Fed acknowledged in a statement explaining its action.



CHARLES REX ARBOGAST/AP

A trader signals in the Standard & Poor's 500 futures pit at the Chicago Mercantile Exchange on Wednesday. The Fed opted to cut a key interest rate by a quarter-point.

The funds rate affects many other interest rates charged to millions of individuals and businesses and is the Fed's most potent tool for influencing economic activity.

In response, commercial banks, including Bank of America, Wells Fargo and KeyCorp., announced that they were cutting their prime lending rate — for certain credit cards, home equity lines of credit and other loans — by a corresponding amount, to 7.50 percent.

JEANNINE AVERSA (AP)

Groups Push for 'Do Not Track List'

WASHINGTON | A number of privacy groups Wednesday called for the creation of a "Do Not Track List" that would prohibit advertisers from tracking consumers' online activities.

Similar to the popular Do Not Call telephone lists, the Internet proposal comes amid impressive gains in online advertising revenues, providing critical revenue to startups and Web giants such as Google Inc. and Yahoo Inc.

Online ad sales are forecast to more than double to $44 billion in 2011 from $17 billion in 2006, according to eMarketer.com. The growing popularity of online ads is due in part to the sophisticated technology available to target ads.

The issue arose during recent congressional hearings on Google's $3.1 billion bid to buy DoubleClick Inc., which places and tracks online ads.

Industry representatives say targeting means users are more likely to see ads for products they are interested in, rather than random ads. (AP)

Market Action

New York Stock Exchange

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
Polypore n	17.16	+3.39	+24.6
MasterCrd	189.91	+32.76	+20.8
CmceGp	36.49	+5.37	+17.3
McKesson	66.10	+7.55	+12.9
ChicB&I	50.00	+5.46	+12.3

Losers

MonacoC	11.60	-3.29	-22.1
Omncre	29.50	-5.61	-16.0
LandAmer	27.79	-4.36	-13.6
ChinaSec n	25.50	-3.40	-11.8
Chemed	57.32	-7.55	-11.6

NASDAQ Stock Market

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
ansthink	4.07	+.98	+31.7
SiRF Tch	29.81	+6.51	+27.9
FstConsult	12.69	+2.71	+27.2
Pericom	14.94	+3.18	+27.0
Iomai	1.82	-.01	-0.5

Losers

GPC Biot	4.79	-6.65	-58.1
FaroTech	28.76	-9.32	-24.5
DocuSci	8.35	-2.54	-23.3
Simtek n	3.07	-.93	-23.2
BuffWW s	30.66	-8.25	-21.2

DOW	NASDAQ	S&P 500
+137.54	+42.41	+18.36
+1.00	+1.51	+1.20
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Rates

	CURRENT	PREVIOUS WEEK
Prime Rate	7.50	7.75
Fed Funds close	4.50	4.50
3-month disc	3.83	3.74
2-year	3.91	3.70
10-year	4.46	4.33
30-year	4.75	4.64

Currency (Dollars in foreign currency)

	TODAY	PREVIOUS DAY	YEAR AGO
British Pound	.4805	.4836	.5242
Canadian Dollar	.9459	.9534	1.1219
European Euro	.6895	.6928	.7832
Japanese Yen	115.31	114.77	116.92
Mexican Peso	10.6811	10.7227	10.7712
Taiwanese Dollar	32.50	32.45	33.30

Bank Stocks

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	YEAR TO DATE PERCENT CHANGE
BcoSantand	21.71	+.30	+16.3
BkofAm	48.28	+.29	-9.6
BkMont g	66.58	+1.91	+12.5
BkNova g	56.22	+.88	+25.5
CIBC g	107.92	+2.15	+28.0
Citigrp	41.90	-.21	-24.8
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MitsuUFJ	9.96	+.29	-20.0
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UBS AG	53.69	+.58	-11.0
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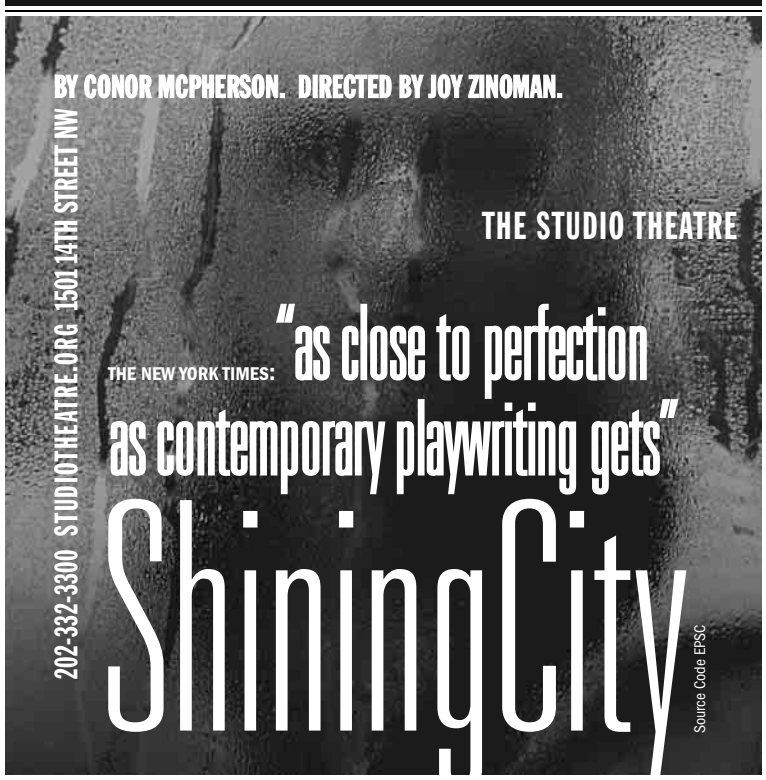

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FULL-FRONTAL STORY: Lions QB Jon Kitna and his wife dressed up as a naked guy and a drive-through attendant for a teammate's Halloween party, but the Lions say assistant coach Joe Cullen, who was accused of driving naked through a Wendy's drive-through last year, was not offended.

Sports

Redskins Face Offensive Overhaul

Team's attack will be more streamlined and physical in the future

REDSKINS | Joe Gibbs is starting over in the middle of the season — for the second year in a row.

Wednesday was shake-up day for the languid Washington Redskins offense, ranked 28th in the league and ineffective on all fronts. The personnel was the same, but the practice was more physical and the emphasis renewed on streamlining the attack back into the traditional Gibbs mold.

"We're starting a whole new year today offensively," quarterback Jason Campbell said. "We've put everything behind us in the past, and we're starting from scratch again."

JOHN MCDONNELL/TWP

Usually strong, the Redskins' ground attack is averaging just three yards per carry.

The catalyst was Sunday's 52-7 beating by the New England Patriots. On Monday, a group of 10 or so team leaders known as "The Committee" met with Gibbs, then the entire offense had its own players-only powwow.

"We've all decided enough's enough," right tackle Todd Wade said. "The defense has done well this year. It's time for everybody to come together and focus on doing their job. ... We're going to back to the basics on everything."

Meanwhile, the coaches' meetings this week focused on an offense that is averaging three yards per carry over the last five games, that has yet to surpass 250 yards passing this season, that has scored more than 21 points once. It's an attack that has looked like an awkward Gibbs-Saunders hybrid since Al Saunders, mammoth play book in tow, was hired to run the offense last year.

"We have more volume than we've had in the past," longtime Gibbs assistant Joe Bugel said. "And now we're trying to break it now into what's best for us. That's the bottom line."

In other words, look for an even bigger Gibbs footprint: Run first, take shots upfield and count on the defense to lead. JOSEPH WHITE (AP)

Coles May Sit Against Redskins

Jets unsure whether WR will play after last week's concussion

NFL | Jets receiver Laveranues Coles has a concussion and it was uncertain Wednesday whether he'll play in Sunday's game against Washington.

"Any time you have an injury, it is scary," coach Eric Mangini said. "With a guy like Laveranues who is so tough, you have to be careful and make sure you go through the same process that you would go through with every other player."

The Jets wide receiver didn't practice Wednesday and wouldn't address the injury because it's against team policy. Mangini was unsure whether Coles will be ready to play Sunday against the Redskins.

Coles was injured last Sunday with 7:41 left in the Jets' 13-3 loss to Buffalo when he jumped to catch a pass from Chad Pennington and was immediately hit in the middle of the back by Terrence McGee. Coles' chest and head slammed to the turf and he stayed face-down for several minutes. He was eventually able to walk off the field, but didn't return. (AP)

ANDY LYONS/GETTY IMAGES

Tom Brady celebrates after winning his third Super Bowl ring in 2004. Brady won Super Bowl MVP that year and in 2001.

Winning Formula Includes Brady

QB is one of the few constants on Patriots' championship teams

NFL | The Patriots had just won their first Super Bowl championship and coach Bill Belichick was praising the MVP of the game.

Tom Brady, making his 17th pro start, shocked the heavily favored St. Louis Rams by leading a late drive that led to a last-minute field goal, a 20-17 win and the title after the 2001 season.

"Nobody has worked as hard as Tom has, and nobody deserves it more than he does," Belichick said. "He has accomplished so much, and its due to a lot of hard work and perseverance on his part."

Fast forward nearly six years. Brady has thrown at least three touchdown passes in all eight games. His 30 touchdown passes are his single-season high. He's thrown only two interceptions.

New England (8-0) is off to the best start in its history, winning each game by at least 17 points.

The 2001 team ended the season with an eight-game winning streak capped by that Super Bowl win. This year's team started with an eight-game winning streak that will be in jeopardy Sunday at Indianapolis where they play the Colts (7-0).

Other than Brady, only seven current Patriots played in all three Super Bowl wins — running back Kevin Faulk, offensive tackle Matt Light, defensive end Richard Seymour, linebackers Mike Vrabel, Tedy Bruschi and Larry Izzo, and wide receiver Troy Brown, now on the physically-unable-to-perform list.

But with Brady and Belichick are enough to keep winning. (AP)

NFL | BAD IDEA

RICHARD DREW/AP

WHY IS HE SMILING? Tiki Barber dresses up as the Munsters' pet dragon spot on NBC's "Today." Matt Lauer was Herman Munster for the show's Halloween program.

TODAY'S TV LINEUP

UNITED (7:30 P.M. ON ESPN2) It's the last chance for D.C. United. Trailing Chicago 1-0 after the first leg, United returns home needing a win to advance in the MLS playoffs.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL (7:30 P.M. ON ESPN) One week after a tough loss to Boston College, Virginia Tech hits the road to play Georgia Tech.

BASKETBALL (8 P.M. AND 10:30 P.M. ON TNT) An Eastern Conference clash features Detroit at Miami. Then, we get another look at Kevin Durant when the Sonics host the Suns.

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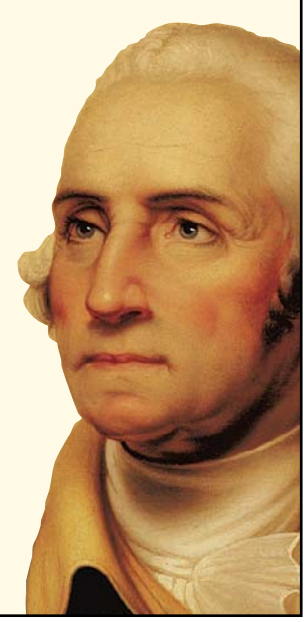

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"There's a reason why you wear this uniform ... because you're a bad mother[expletive]." — **David Ortiz** told his Red Sox teammates in a players-only meeting when they were down 2-1 to the Indians, Sports Illustrated reported this week.

Torre-Dodgers Deal Not Yet Done

Los Angeles GM says the team has interest in Torre and others

BASEBALL | General manager Ned Colletti acknowledged Wednesday he had spoken with Joe Torre about managing the L.A. Dodgers.

While Colletti insisted they had not agreed on a contract, he indicated the former New York Yankees manager was the leading candidate to replace Grady Little, who resigned on Tuesday.

"We've had some conversations with him very recently," Colletti said. "Certainly, as you look at his resume and what he's done and the market he's done it in, you've certainly got to start there."

Having said that, Colletti was quick to point out that other candidates were also being considered.

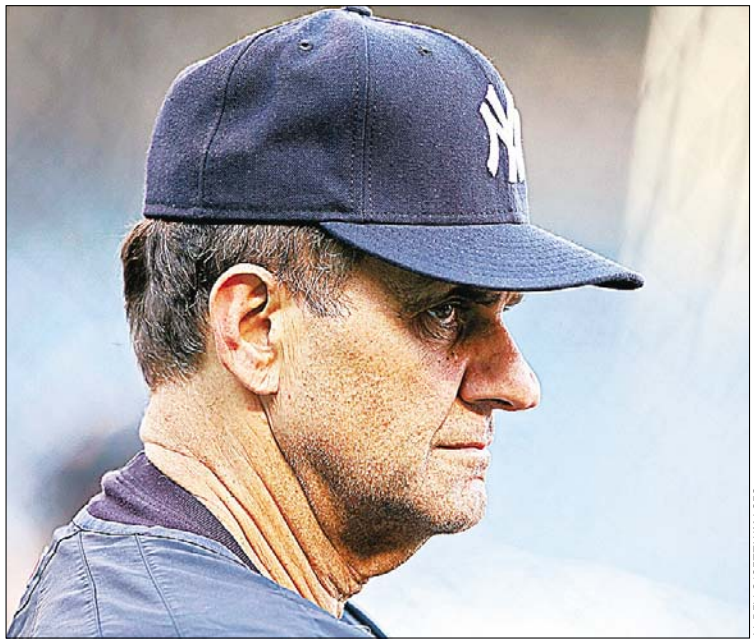
"We're talking about a number of people," Colletti said. "We're crossing off names. It may be a very short list."

Colletti said he was aware of baseball's directive regarding minorities being interviewed for open managerial jobs but wouldn't say whether the Dodgers would honor the request.

By any reasonable gauge, Torre's name is at the top of the Dodgers' list. However, when asked whether the parties had discussed money and if they were close to a deal, Colletti retreated.

"We have interest," he said. "It may be mutual, that's really a question for the other side.

"I don't categorize anything as close, far. It's either done or it's not done." JOHN NADEL (AP)



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Though published reports said Joe Torre reached a deal with the L.A. Dodgers to serve as team manager, GM Ned Colletti said nothing was final as of Wednesday.

Padres' Cameron Suspended After A Positive Test

BASEBALL | Mike Cameron, the Padres' Gold Glove center fielder, was suspended for the first 25 games of next season on Wednesday after testing positive a second time for a banned stimulant.

Cameron, who plans to file for free agency, said he believes he took a tainted supplement.

"The one thing I wanted to make sure was explained is, no steroids," Cameron told AM 1090, the Padres' flagship radio station. "I never took nothing like that before in my life. That would be 50 games, and that would affect me a whole lot more."

Cameron issued a statement through his agent, saying doctors for the players' association helped him narrow down what triggered the positive test. BERNIE WILSON (AP)

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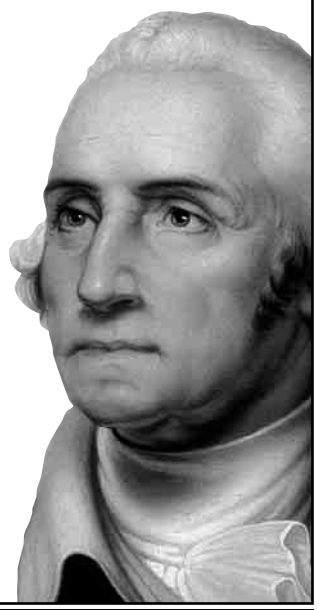

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"They just dump the ball, defend with five, six guys. For me, that's not soccer. But if they feel happy about that, they can go ahead and do that."

— **United forward Jaime Moreno** complains about Chicago's tactic of playing conservatively with a lead.

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PILE IT ON: Members of the Chicago Fire celebrate during a 4-0 rout of D.C. United at RFK Stadium in October 2005. D.C. has never beaten Chicago in the playoffs.

United Gets 1 Shot To Stop the Fire

Chicago can eliminate the heavily favored D.C. squad once again

UNITED | D.C. United has resurrected its "Blackout" campaign ahead of Thursday night's quarterfinal decider against the Chicago Fire, apparently confident that the slogan will be limited this time to shaping the apparel choices of 20,000 fans and not to another sudden and premature end its season.

In each of the past two years, D.C. has exited the playoffs, thanks to a home defeat. Each time, the victor was a lower seed, and each time, United failed to score a goal. Those are two trends D.C. will have to reverse if it hopes to advance to next week's Eastern Conference final. On Thursday night, it faces a Chicago side it has never beaten in the playoffs and that holds a 1-0 aggregate lead following last week's opener.

"All of it has to end at some point. The [lack of] goals, the losses, losing to Chicago in the playoffs. It has to end. I don't see why it can't start Thursday night," said D.C.'s Ben Olsen, who was a rookie when the Fire blanked United in MLS Cup '98.

D.C.'s chances of scoring for the first time in seven playoff games against Chicago should improve now that starting strikers Jaime Moreno and Luciano Emilio appear healthy and ready to start. Each came on as a substitute last week, but Olsen said the pair "looked fine" during practice.

"It'll be nice to have a guy who will be in the box and create some havoc in there," he said of Emilio, who's certainly capable of helping D.C. turn the possession it normally enjoys against Chicago into real results.

If he's not, then United will pay dearly. There will be no appearance in an MLS Cup final scheduled for RFK, no payoff for finishing with the league's best record for the second straight season and significant questions about the future of the club.

The status of several key players, including Moreno and Christian Gomez, is uncertain, and change may be coming to a core that's been very good but not great.

"Who knows what's going to happen next year with this team? We've been together a long time," Olsen said. "This could be a last hurrah."

BRIAN STRAUS

HOME RULED

RFK Stadium generally is regarded as the least hospitable venue in American soccer, but since winning the MLS Cup in 2004, D.C. United has struggled to protect its house in big games.

➜ **APRIL 6, 2005 — D.C. 1, UNAM 1:** In the Champions Cup semis for the first time in five years, D.C. failed to hold an early lead and settled for a tie. The Mexican champs didn't return the favor, pounding D.C. 5-0 in the away leg.

➜ **AUG. 24, 2005 — D.C. 1, DALLAS 1:** Although played in Germantown, the U.S. Open Cup semi was still a home game before a raucous D.C. crowd. United yielded a late tying goal and lost on penalty kicks.

➜ **OCT. 30, 2005 — D.C. 0, CHICAGO 4:** The most shocking result in club history followed a scoreless draw in Chicago and eliminated D.C. in the Eastern semis. The Fire was ahead after just 10 minutes, and D.C.'s Christian Gomez was ejected for spitting on Chicago's C.J. Brown.

➜ **OCT. 29, 2006 — D.C. 1, NEW YORK 1:** United labored to a MLS quarterfinal draw secured with Gomez's 86th-minute goal. A 1-0 away win the week before sent a fortunate D.C. to the semis.

➜ **NOV. 5, 2006 — D.C. 0, NEW ENGLAND 1:** The regular season's best record didn't matter in the '06 Eastern Conference final, as New England took a fourth-minute lead and held on to end D.C.'s season.

➜ **MARCH 15, 2007 — D.C. 1, CHIVAS 1:** The scenario was similar to that of April 2005, and so was the result. D.C. needed a stoppage time goal from Emilio to secure a 1-1 draw in a Champions Cup semi played before more than 26,000. An away loss knocked them from the tournament.

➜ **APRIL 14, 2007 — D.C. 2, KANSAS CITY 4:** Home opener, 22,000 in the stands, and a 2-0 deficit after eight minutes. United recovered to finish with the league's best record, but it left questions lingering about its home form. BRIAN STRAUS

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Sports

GW: D.C.'s Hoops Power?

Wins and losses say Colonials are the best program in the city

COLONIALS HOOPS | Check the record book. George Washington, the private school a few blocks from the White House at Foggy Bottom, ought to be the toast of college basketball around the nation's capital.

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The Colonials men's team has been to three straight NCAA tournaments. The women go nearly every year. Last season, the squads combined to go 51-13, better than all those other D.C.-area schools. Over the last 17 years, they are 723-331, a .686 winning percentage that is again ahead of the Hoyas, Terrapins, Patriots, Bison and Eagles.

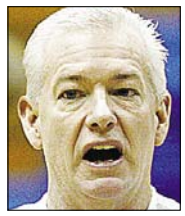
"What else do we have to do?" said women's coach Joe McKeown, who has 414 wins and 14 NCAA appearances over 18 years at the school. "We've got two teams that in the last two years were ranked in the top 10 in college basketball."

Check the record books again, and therein lies the answer. In 24 combined appearances in the NCAA tournament, a GW team has advanced past the round of 16 only once — when the women made the final eight in 1997.

"I'm hoping to one day go beyond the Sweet 16," men's coach Karl Hobbs said. "We felt a few years ago that we were in position to do that. Unfortunately, the ball didn't bounce our way. But I feel with more NCAA experience and going there consistently, that dream will come true."

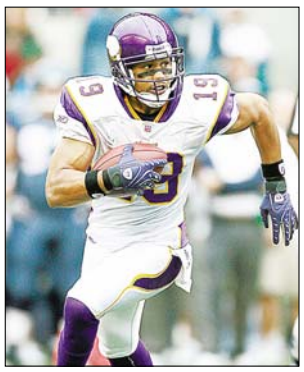
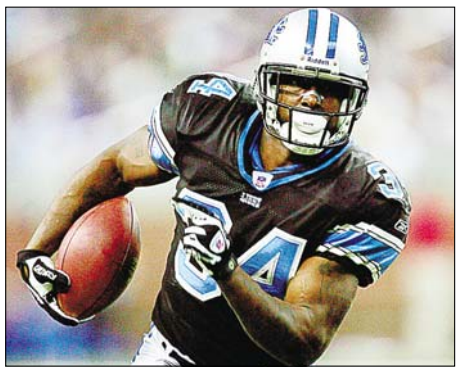
George Washington held its annual preseason media day Tuesday, but only after school officials made sure that it was a day on which the Washington Redskins were not practicing and that neither Maryland nor Georgetown nor anyone else had a big event scheduled. Georgetown could hold its media day at 8 a.m. on a Sunday and still draw a good crowd, but not GW.

Hobbs


McKeown

"We're about overachieving," said Hobbs, repeating a word he's used many times over six years at GW. "And we know that if we're going to have the kind of success that we're envisioning, we're going to have to continue to overachieve." JOSEPH WHITE (AP)

DREAM TEAM ►► THE UPS AND DOWNS OF FANTASY FOOTBALL

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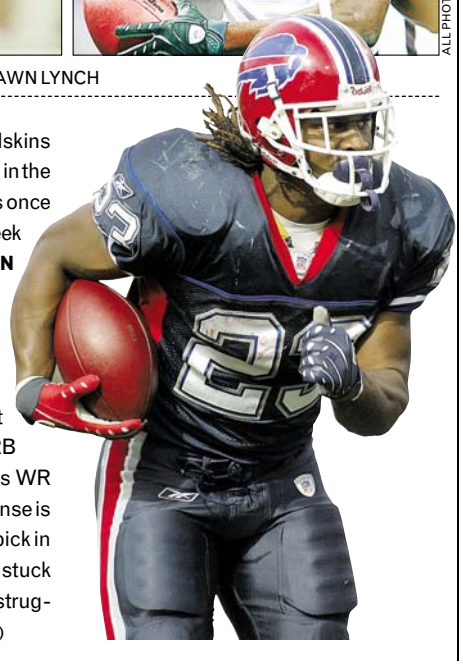
CLOCKWISE FROM TOP: BOBBY WADE, KEVIN JONES, FRANK GORE AND MARSHAWN LYNCH



Best Bets: Where was **DAVID PATTEN** when the Redskins needed him? The Saints WR has had two 100-yard games in the past three weeks. It's easy to forget that **KEVIN JONES** was once a promising rookie. The Lions back gained 105 yards last week and has scored in each of the past two games. **MARSHAWN LYNCH** isn't as flashy or as good as fellow rookie Adrian Peterson, but the Bills runner who is normally a good play is a great one against the dreadful Bengals.

Not a Chance: Never playing a running back against the Steelers' defense is a good idea. See ya, Ravens RB **WILLIS MCGAHEE** — at least for a week. Starting Vikings WR **BOBBY WADE** against an ever-improving San Diego defense is akin to forfeiting. **FRANK GORE** was probably a top-five pick in your fantasy draft two months ago. Since then, he's been stuck in neutral on a 49ers offense that's so sluggish that it may struggle against the woeful Falcons. MATT SWENSON (EXPRESS)

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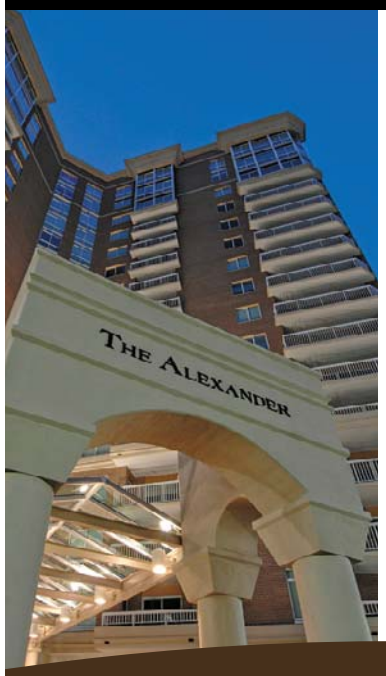

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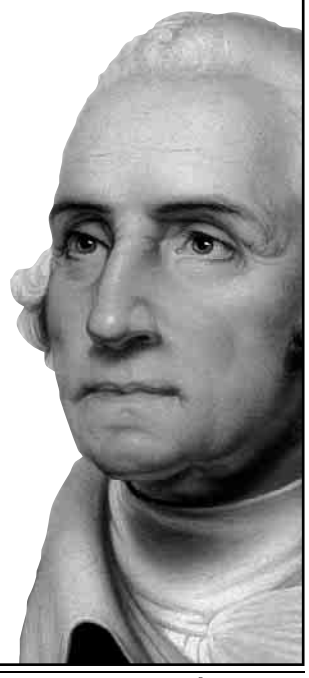

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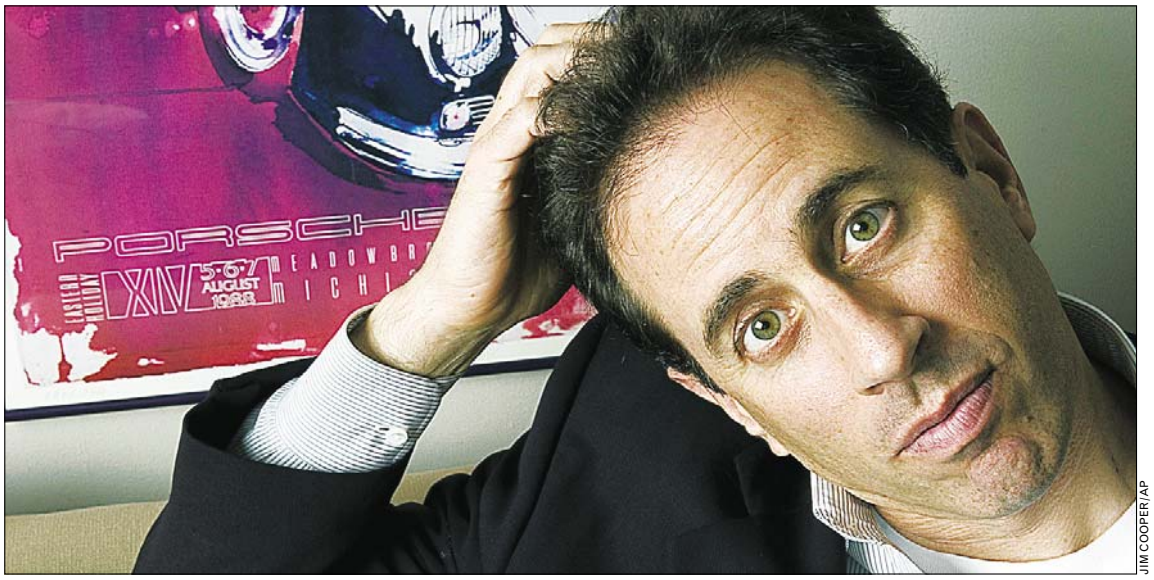

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PERFECTIONIST? Seinfeld claims he works only on truly worthwhile projects, which apparently don't come along all that often.

Hello, Hermit

Jerry Seinfeld comes out of hiding for the release of 'Bee Movie'

BUG DEAL | Jerry Seinfeld casually refers to "the TV show" like it was just another resume entry, a vaguely familiar event from his past.

Wait, wasn't that TV show "Seinfeld," one of the greatest comedies in TV history? You know, the one with double-dippers, puffy shirts and mimbos?

Seinfeld, it seems, has moved on more than most of his audience. Though "the TV show" ended its historic run in 1998, the perpetual glow of "Seinfeld" has been mostly uninterrupted because its star and namesake has remained largely out of sight — like his beloved Superman resting in his Fortress of Solitude.

Seinfeld has even been called "the J.D. Salinger of television," as Conan O'Brien recently joked.

"I'm doing as much as I possibly can, I promise you," says Seinfeld, archly defending himself with a laugh in his Manhattan office, where the award statuettes are outnumbered only by the many model cars that dot the room.

The 53-year-old comedian is releasing "Bee Movie," a film that began as a causal pun made over dinner with Steven Spielberg. A call was then placed to Jeffrey Katzenberg, CEO of Dreamworks Animation SKG, and the small joke eventually spiraled into a $150 million blockbuster that Seinfeld has spent more than three years writing and producing. He also voiced the main character.

Seinfeld, of course, hasn't been doing nothing since "Seinfeld." He and wife, Jessica, were married in 1999 and have since had three children. Seinfeld's mission has generally been to return to being a stand-up comedian; his relentless work to build a new act was documented in the 2002 film "Comedian."

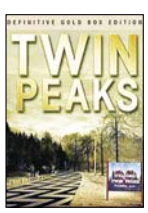
To those who wish they saw him more, Seinfeld replies with his characteristic flare for language: "Me too, but I wonder if they would be willing to accept me being not good. I wish I could do more, too, but I can't do more as good, so I figure I'll do less, but good." JAKE COYLE (AP)

'Peaks' on DVD Is Pure Gold

DVD | "Twin Peaks" gave television permission to get weird.

I'm talking about that loony, disturbing and layered drama from Mark Frost and filmmaker David Lynch.

Anyone who worships at the altar of Agent Cooper was ecstatic earlier this year when, after a long wait, the second and final season of "Peaks" finally came to DVD. But those same people may be understandably miffed to see "Twin Peaks: The Definitive Gold Box Edition" ($99.99) arriving this week, less than seven months after that second season made its DVD debut. Normally, I'd be protesting this flagrant case of double-dipping. But here's the thing: This gold box edition is freaking fantastic.



Having everything in one place — including that exceptional two-hour pilot, one of the most finely crafted in broadcast history — is a huge selling point. Add in a slate of absolutely stellar extras, and this box set becomes irresistible.

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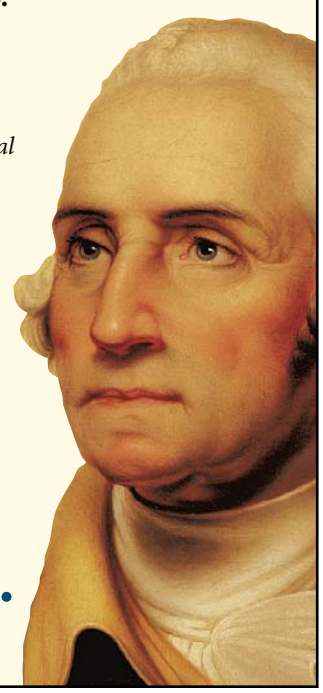

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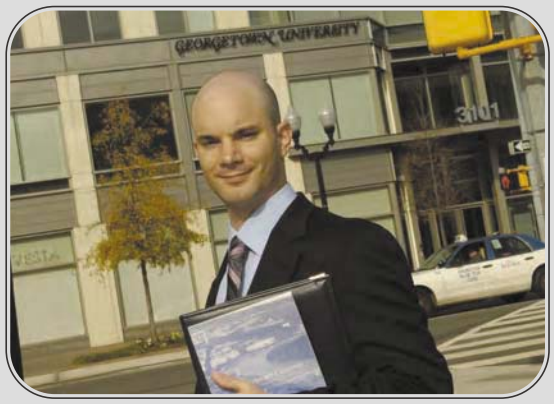

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Entertainment

She's a Survivor

After the fight of her life, Angie Stone is ready to sing again

STRENGTH | After spending the last few years out of the public eye, soul singer Angie Stone returns to the charts in a big way this week with "The Art of Love & War," which debuts at a career-best No. 11 on the Billboard 200.

"The Art of Love & War" is the first major release (and first to be in the top half of the Billboard 200) from Concord's recently relaunched Stax Records, which had lain dormant for 34 years.

Concord/Stax senior director of urban music Rick Nuhn says the brand has played an integral role in the marketing of the new album. "The fact that people have responded so well to Angie's record and the new version of Stax shows that the name is still meaningful," he says.

The album has benefited from a strong radio single in the form of "Baby," which tops the adult R&B chart this week and is No. 23 on Hot R&B/Hip-Hop Songs, the third-best position of her nine career titles on the latter tally.

Stone battled congestive heart failure last year, an experience chronicled on the new album's "Happy Being Me." "When you get close to losing your life, you see it flash before you," she told Billboard in April. Stone has also gone public about her battle with her weight, leading her to appear on the VH1 show "Celebrity Fit Club" in 2006. As a result, she has been tapped to serve as a spokeswoman for pharmaceutical company Eli Lilly to raise awareness about diabetes.

Although music is once again her main focus, Stone recently signed with International Creative Management to handle her acting career.

"This business is hard," she told Billboard. "I've been waiting all these years, and I've survived."

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LIKE A ROCK: After a battle with congestive heart failure, Stone is ready to live it up.

Goulet Takes His Final Bow

OBIT | Robert Goulet, the handsome, big-voiced baritone whose Broadway debut in "Camelot" launched an award-winning stage and recording career, has died. He was 73.

The singer died Tuesday morning at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center while awaiting a lung transplant, said his spokesman, Norm Johnson.

Goulet

Goulet gained stardom in 1960 with "Camelot," the Lerner and Loewe musical that starred Richard Burton as King Arthur and Julie Andrews as his Queen Guenevere. Goulet played Sir Lancelot, the French knight who falls in love with Guenevere.

He became a hit with American TV viewers with appearances on "The Ed Sullivan Show" and other programs.

Goulet won a Grammy Award in 1962 for best new artist and made the singles chart in 1964 with "My Love Forgive Me."

He won a Tony award in 1968 for best actor in a musical for his role in "The Happy Time." His other Broadway appearances were in "Moon Over Buffalo" in 1995 and "La Cage aux Folles" in 2005, plus a "Camelot" revival in 1993 in which he played King Arthur.

He returned to Broadway in 2005 as one half of a gay couple in "La Cage aux Folles." (AP)

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Television

LOOKING TO DIVERSIFY: With shows like ABC's "Ugly Betty," Hispanics are making big strides in prime-time, according to a report released bythe Multi-Ethnic Media Coalition. The success of "Betty" earned ABC the highest grade of any network.

Fame's Privilege

Celebrities decide which movies we see on TCM all month

FAVS | Every night this month on Turner Classic Movies, actors, writers and directors including Gore Vidal (Nov. 4), Danny DeVito (Nov. 10), Paul Mazursky (Nov. 16) and Alec Baldwin (Nov. 20) choose three or four movies that are alternately interesting, predictable and revealing.

Whoopi Goldberg kicks off the proceedings tonight with "Beauty and the Beast" (8 p.m., TCM), the 1946 fantasy directed by French dramatist and poet Jean Cocteau. Goldberg chose "Beauty" "because magic happens, and that is what the movies are about." Viewers should not miss this one — a "Beauty" that has nothing to do with Disney musicals.

Tycoon and TV host Donald Trump (Nov. 3) picks three dependable and respected favorites: "The African Queen," "Gone with the Wind" and "Citizen Kane." None of "Simpsons" creator Matt Groening's (Nov. 14) choices are more recent than the 1941 "Blues in the Night." Composer Mark Mothersbaugh (Nov. 29) shows the greatest range, having selected one of my favorite B-movies, "Hot Rods to Hell" as a chaser to the Federico Fellini favorite "Juliet of the Spirits." KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

HENRI ALEKAN

WHOOPI'S CHOICE: Tonight's pick is Jean Cocteau's "Beauty and the Beast."

ON TV TONIGHT

MRS. DONAHUE
Marlo Thomas guest-stars on **UGLY BETTY** (8 p.m., ABC).

LUCKY REGIS
Clay Aiken and Regis Philbin appear on a two-hour episode of **ARE YOU SMARTER THAN A FIFTH GRADER?** (8 p.m., Fox)

WAR-TORN HOLY LAND
Can grieving mothers solve the mother of all crises? The documentary **TO DIE IN JERUSALEM** (9 p.m., HBO) takes a painful and personal look at the Israeli-Palestinian impasse.

SNEAKY
All season long, viewers of **THE OFFICE** (9 p.m., NBC) have wondered just where Karen (Rashida Jones) could be. Tonight, we learn that she's still working for Dunder-Mifflin when she tries to recruit the taciturn Stanley (Leslie David Baker) to a rival branch.

MCBEER DRINKING
Guys' night out on **GREY'S ANATOMY** (9 p.m., ABC). KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

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WHERE HAS KAREN BEEN? Find out on tonight's episode of "The Office."

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	Bravo	★★ "Days of Thunder" (1990, Action) Tom Cruise, Robert Duvall. CC				★★★ "Hurricane" (1999, Drama) Denzel Washington. Boxer Rubin "Hurricane" Carter is wrongfully imprisoned. CC						★★★ "Hurricane" (1999) CC	
	Comedy	(5:00) ★ "2001: A Space Travesty"		Scrubs CC	Scrubs CC	Daily Show	Colbert Report	Chappelle's Show	South Park CC	South Park CC	Drawn Together	Daily Show	Colbert Report
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	ENCORE	(5:50) ★★ "The Greatest Game Ever Played" (2005) Shia LaBeouf. 'PG'				★★ "Chicken Little" (2005) Voices of Zach Braff. 'G'			★★ "Mars Attacks!" (1996, Comedy) Jack Nicholson. 'PG-13' CC				Wes Craven's

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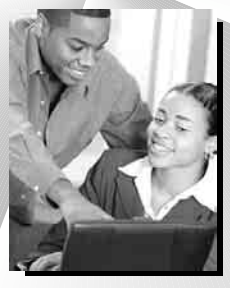

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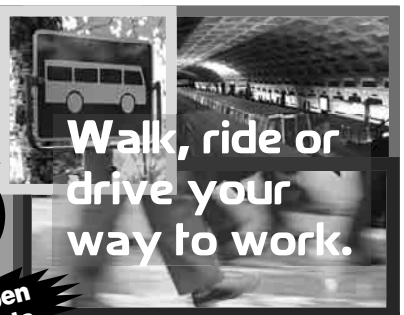

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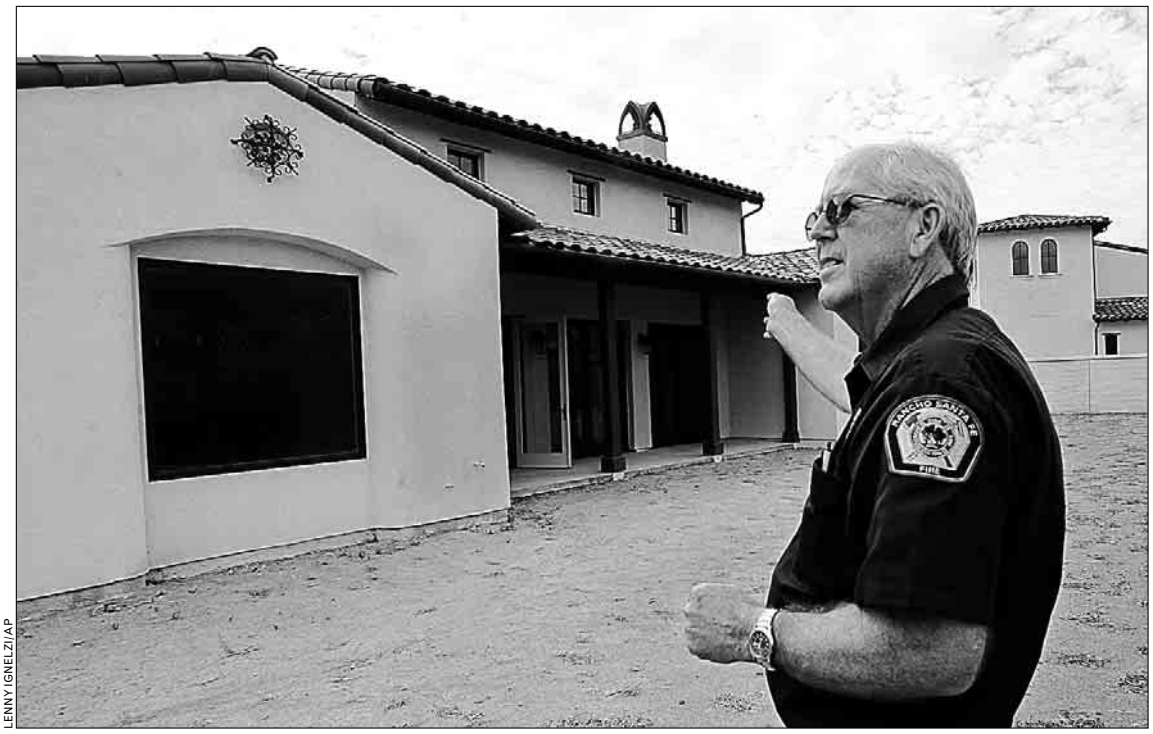

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STILL STANDING: Rancho Santa Fe Fire Marshal Cliff Hunter says a strict building code saved houses from last week's wildfires.

Disaster Planning

Strict building codes may have saved Calif. town from the flames

Dr. Jorge Llorente became irritated recently when the fire department kept rejecting his plans to landscape his hacienda-style home with jacarandas and avocado trees, but he is grateful now.

Those restrictions may well have saved his multimillion-dollar home when a wildfire passed through last week.

"Now that we have a chance to see how it works, we are tickled pink," the retired surgeon said. "I'm a convert. I'm a true believer."

Rancho Santa Fe, Calif., has lots of converts after braving last week's Southern California's wildfires, the first major test of the stringent construction and landscaping standards adopted by the community in 1997. The San Diego suburb lost 53 houses, but none of them was in the five subdivisions that embraced restrictions designed to be so tough that people can stay in their homes if they cannot evacuate.

As Southern California begins to rebuild from the blazes that killed at least seven people and destroyed more than 2,000 homes, homeowners and government officials are looking at places as far away as Australia and as nearby as Stevenson Ranch in Santa Clarita, north of Los Angeles, that have adopted super-strict standards that require such precautions as nonflammable roofs, indoor sprinklers and regular watering of shrubs.

Rancho Santa Fe practices a strategy known as "shelter-in-place," designed to insulate homes from flames if people cannot evacuate.

The fire department in Rancho Santa Fe, whose past residents include Bing Crosby and Howard Hughes, scrutinizes plans for every tree and bush and sends inspectors with measuring tapes to make sure its orders are obeyed.

Trees and bushes must be a certain distance from the house and cannot exceed a certain height. Roofs must be nonflammable; shrubs near the house must always be watered. Indoor sprinklers are a must.

Columns must be masonry, stucco or precast concrete; windows must be dual-paned or tempered glass; wood fences cannot touch the home.

Cliff Hunter, Rancho Santa Fe's fire marshal, believes the standards saved homes.

"I just go by the results," he said as he drove through the wide streets of the Crosby subdivision, where hillside flames stopped just short of homes.

Fire experts caution that no home is fireproof; they prefer the term "ignition-resistant." Advocates say such precautions give firefighters time to save more vulnerable homes in fast-moving fires.

> "Now that we have a chance to see how it works ... I'm a true believer."
>
> DR. JORGE LLORENTE

But some critics say the shelter-in-place strategy may lull homeowners into a false sense of security, leading them to stay put when they should flee. And some say it only encourages construction in tinderbox areas in California and elsewhere across the West.

Don Ceglar felt the fire rules went too far when he moved to Rancho Santa Fe from Connecticut in 2003. The fire department refused to let him in until he removed two 8-foot cypress plants near the front door.

He said the community's fire-protection standards passed last week's test with flying colors.

"The fire surrounded our community like a doughnut," he said. "It's remarkable. It literally looks like someone took a torch and went to the edge of these properties, and the fires just stopped."

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Education

High school libraries offer students coffee to encourage reading

Even before the bell rings each morning, students at Centennial High School in Franklin, Tenn., are lined up to get into the library. But they aren't necessarily looking for books.

They are waiting for a morning cup of joe at the Cougar Cafe, a coffee shop run by students.

Coffeehouses are springing up in high school libraries across the country, marking a big departure from the days when librarians sternly prohibited food, drinks and talking.

Some health advocates wonder whether high school students really need any more caffeine, or the calories in that caramel mochaccino. But school officials say these coffee shops are promoting reading and studying by attracting teenagers who might not otherwise hang out in a library.

MARK HUMPHREY/AP

Jenny Yuhasz makes coffee in the library at Centennial High School in Tennessee.

"Once they have them in there, they have their eyes and, hopefully, have their minds for a little bit," said Doug Johnson, a school library consultant from Minnesota.

The school library cafes are usually simplified versions of the coffee shops found at stores like Borders and Barnes & Noble. Centennial High's cafe, which has been open for only a few months, has an espresso machine and a milk frother, and sells fancy coffee drinks, hot and iced teas, and hot chocolate.

> "Once we have them in [the high school library], they have their eyes and hopefully have their minds for a little bit."
>
> **DOUG JOHNSON**, CONSULTANT

"School food reflects the larger culture, so if there's a proliferation of coffee shops in bookstores out in the world, it's going to happen in schools," said Jan Poppendieck, a sociology professor at Hunter College in New York.

Marketing students work as baristas in the Centennial cafe, which brings in about $200 per day. After expenses, the cafe should make about $10,000 during the school year, and that will be turned into scholarships for the 10 to 15 student employees.

The coffeehouse trend comes at a time when many school systems across country are removing junk food and soda machines.

"They're already providing horrible school lunches. Now they're adding to that with 800-calorie drinks," said Susan Levin, a registered dietitian with the Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine. Many students load up their coffee with sugar and cream or buy dessert-like coffee drinks, Levin said.

John Witmer, who has run a before-school cafe at Hastings High School in Houston since he became librarian in 2003, said it is extremely popular with the 2,800 students.

Before the coffeehouse opened, "they were running about 6,000 visits per year to the library and checking out about 3,000 books," he said. Now, "we're running about 65,000 visits and checking out about 45,000 books."

On a recent school day at Centennial, 14-year-old Desmond Dwight, who works at the cafe, was sitting at one of the small round tables with friends. He said he visits the cafe "because I can get a cup of coffee and go sit and read a book."

Would he be reading in the library anyway if there were no coffee?

"I don't think so," he said, "because it would be boring just sitting here." TRAVIS LOLLER (AP)

5 Day Forecast for the Washington Area

Today	Tonight	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
Partly sunny, breezy	Mostly clear	Sunny, cooler	Mostly sunny	Partly sunny	Mostly sunny
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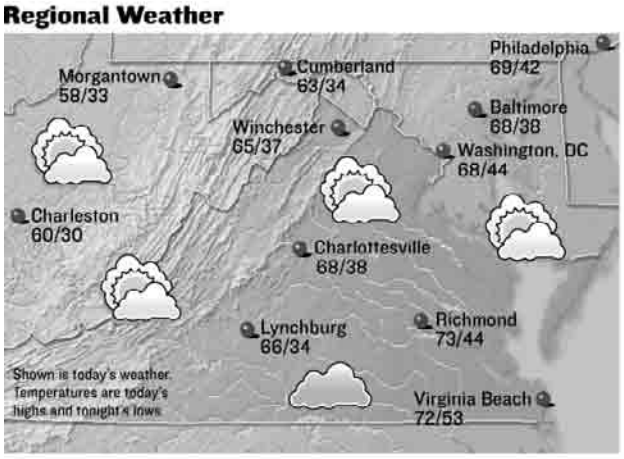

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Temperature

High	68°
Low	46°
Normal high	63°
Normal low	44°
Average humidity	58%

Precipitation

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Normal month to date	3.22"
Year to date	28.19"
Last year to date	41.05"
Normal year to date	33.27"

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Regional Forecast

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Sun and Moon

Sunrise today	7:35 a.m.
Sunset tonight	6:08 p.m.
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Moonset today	2:17 p.m.

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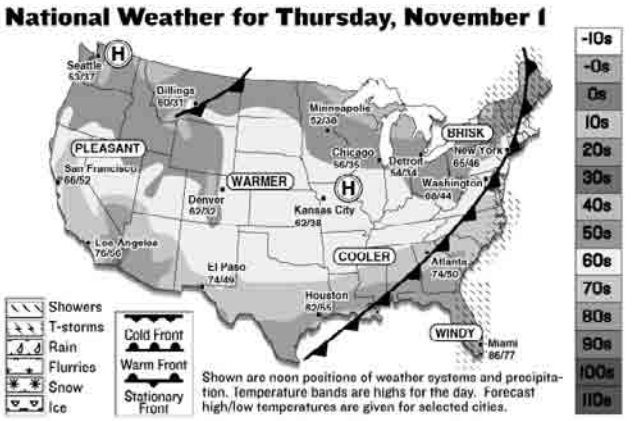
National Weather for Thursday, November 1



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Atlanta	74/50/s	68/44/s
Boston	64/42/pc	53/36/s
Chicago	56/35/s	58/37/s
Dallas	66/48/s	73/51/s
Denver	62/32/s	57/31/pc
Honolulu	83/70/pc	83/71/s
Los Angeles	76/56/s	78/56/s
Miami	86/77/r	86/73/pc
New York City	65/46/pc	57/42/s
Orlando	83/70/pc	80/65/pc
Seattle	53/37/pc	52/40/pc

World Cities

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Fri. Hi/Lo/W
Amsterdam	59/48/c	55/48/c
Athens	75/67/pc	71/62/pc
Berlin	55/45/pc	55/47/c
Buenos Aires	73/60/s	72/58/s
Calgary	42/25/s	45/24/c
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Tokyo	65/53/sh	63/51/c

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Ethereal Influence

Oliver Theyskens' melancholy musings make a statement

"Pretty," "sexy" and "edgy" are standard words to sum up a runway collection. But it's the rare designer who elicits reactions like "melancholy," "poetic" and "ethereal."

That's Olivier Theyskens.

He burst onto the scene a decade ago, an art school dropout who didn't even have one collection under his belt when he dressed Madonna for the 1998 Academy Awards in a black satin coat dress with hook-and-eye closures. Now, he's heading up Nina Ricci, basking in the glow of his second hit collection for the house.

Between his moody clothes and his unsettling Christ-like visage, you'd expect Theyskens to be a difficult conversation. When he bows on the runway, he looks as if he wants to disappear. But when you meet him, he's easygoing, and you find yourself startled to be chatting about the childhood eczema that made him insecure and his love of yoga.

Feathery bracelets, but of course: Nina Ricci's emblem is a dove.

> "Things that are sad can sometimes be very beautiful, like nature and weather and light."
>
> **OLIVER THEYSKENS**, DESIGNER

At 30, he's already had a lifetime of career highs and lows. He launched his collection out of his Brussels apartment. Madonna saw it, and all of a sudden Theyskens was being hailed as the next big thing.

Perfect timing. There was a hunger for young talent in the late '90s, when luxury brands' homogenous approach to fashion was becoming the norm. Theyskens' clothes were in the same all-black spirit as other Belgian minimalists before him. But there was a fairy-tale quality to his work, too, even as he sent models out with taxidermied canaries on the tops of their shoes.

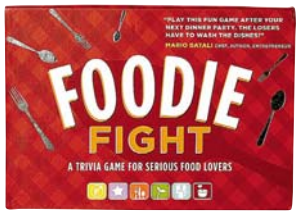
"He is so conscious of a woman's body, but his clothes are also transporting," said Reese Witherspoon, who wore his striking cocktail dress to January's Golden Globes. "He did a whole collection based on blackbirds, and it was so fairy tale, it reminded me of Southern Gothic."

The spring collection is rooted in the past. But the fabrics and techniques are quite modern. A pleated ball gown is titanium iodized, making it glow like a moonbeam, but inside the corsetry is reminiscent of old-world couture.

"I don't know if melancholy is part of my personality, because I am actually very happy," Theyskens says. "But at the same time, I want girls to have some emotion so that they are human. And things that are sad can sometimes be very beautiful, like nature and weather and light."

BOOTH MOORE (LOS ANGELES TIMES)

Games



Play With Your Food

What are dried, smoked jalapeno chilis called? Who coined the phrase "set it and forget it"? Which oil has a higher smoke point: peanut or corn? The problem with Trivial Pursuit is that it doesn't ask any of these questions, which hurts our self-esteem. Instead, we play **FOODIE FIGHT** ($19, Uncommongoods.com) — not affiliated with TP, though it clearly tears a page from big brother's book. The game solves the latter problem by making half the questions easy to nail — like the first two above (chipotles and Ron Popeil) — and the other half head-scratchers. (Peanut oil, but we peeked.) It's also more compact than other trivia games, having ditched the large board in favor of a colored die. RACHEL KAUFMAN

Beauty

Flawless Design

Here are some details that show the Body Shop's Secret Makeup Development Lab isn't staffed by morons. The brand's **FLAWLESS SKIN PROTECTING FOUNDATION** (six shades, $22.50, Thebodyshop.com) has a reflective lid that works as a mirror if you're too lazy to open the compact. The bottom has air holes for the makeup sponge to breathe, thus, perhaps, making it less of a petri dish for grossness. And the cream base itself, which gives a nice matte finish, has an SPF of 25, something we're surprised all foundations don't have by now. HOLLY J. MORRIS (EXPRESS)

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Oh, the Stress

No surprise here: Half of the Americans surveyed in a new American Psychological Association study say they're more stressed now than they were five years ago. But what's the cause of all that anxiety? Is it terrorism? The economy? Or are we just more willing to admit we're frazzled? Dr. Andrea Bonior takes on the topic. | COMING UP

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EATING AROUND

Foodies vs. the Restaurateur

A series of commenters on local food discussion site DonRockwell.com have gone on the offense against Bebo Trattoria owner Roberto Donna and his restaurant. How did Donna respond? Express contributor Melissa McCart has the details. | ONLINE NOW

comment board

"I can't really hold a grudge against them for striking. That's their loss. But, the truth is, they cling to the zone system because they have been abusing it."

COMMENTER CK, WHO ADDED, "WHY SHOULD CABS IN D.C. BE FAR MORE EXPENSIVE THAN THOSE IN NEW YORK?"

"If they had been fair in their business dealings while using the zone system, we wouldn't even have this issue."

COMMENTER AK, WHO ADDED, "BECAUSE OF THE GREEDY MONEY GRUBBERS WHO ABUSED THE SYSTEM, THEY ALL ARE GOING TO PAY FOR IT."

"Since they're striking to preserve their rip-off zone system, my grudge couldn't get any bigger anyway. As far as I'm concerned, they can go on strike forever."

COMMENTER SKVOZNYAK, RESPONDING TO WEDNESDAY'S POLL CENTER QUESTION, "WILL YOU HOLD A GRUDGE AGAINST D.C. CABBIES FOR GOING ON STRIKE ON HALLOWEEN?"

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"And I suppose editorial cartoonists all over ... are sharpening their quill pens to show him at the Pearly Gates singing, 'C'est moi! C'est moi!'"

UNDERBELLY-BUCE.BLOGSPOT.COM REMEMBERS ACTOR ROBERT GOULET, WHO DIED ON TUESDAY AT AGE 73 AFTER AWAITING A LUNG TRANSPLANT AT A LOS ANGELES HOSPITAL .

MORRY GASH/AP

"Ashley Olsen showed up at a swanky New York bar with cyclist Lance Armstrong! Considering his past, [he] has a thing for blondes."

JEZEBEL.COM RELAYS SOME GOSSIP ABOUT A SIGHTING OF THE FORMER "FULL HOUSE" TOT, NOW 21, AND THE INTERNATIONALLY KNOWN CYCLIST, WHO IS 36 AND UNATTACHED.

"IN A SAD NOTE on how much my D.C. experience has changed in the past few years, I missed [Tuesday's high-heel drag race] in Dupont Circle. Instead of cheering for the Bubble Wrap Queen or even Princess Diana, I was off at work, then working on my house, even sober at that."

DC.METBLOGS.COM MISSED THE BIG PRE-HALLOWEEN TRADITION ON TUESDAY NIGHT.

"I REALIZED I didn't really care all that much about carving up a pumpkin for the little kids in cute costumes who stop by early and the big thugs in black hoodies who stop by later."

BOZOETTE.TYPEPAD.COM WASN'T ALL THAT ENTHUSED ABOUT BEING FESTIVE FOR HALLOWEEN THIS YEAR.

"I THINK MODERN MEN don't really know the difference between masculine and meathead. So, they either swing too far toward the meathead end of the spectrum, or they grow up into wussy silly girly-men."

SHANNONSTAMEY.BLOTSPOT.COM HAS A QUIZ TO DETERMINE MANLINESS.

Discussions

Big Black Holes

Washington Post staff writer **MARC KAUFMAN** and **JUNA KOLLMEIER**, an astrophysicist, were online Wednesday to discuss "supermassive" black holes that were recently discovered to be the core of all galaxies.

Pardon my lack of knowledge in this arena, but I thought black holes were full of nothingness. So, how do can you measure it?

Black holes have mass, and we can measure that mass by watching the motions of stars or gas around that massive body. Definitely not nothingness! The black hole at the center of our galaxy weighs more than 3 million suns!

What is it that's been newly discovered? I thought the existence of a supermassive black hole at the center of the Milky Way had been known for some time now. Is it new that they have been found in other galaxies?

It seems like there is something new coming out about supermassive black holes every day. You are correct that the existence of a central black hole in the middle of the Milky Way is not brand-new, but the subject is little known or understood by most people, and I thought it would be useful and interesting to fill in that blank. The work by Suvi Gezari — where her team followed the "feeding" of a distant black hole on a star — came out this year, and there is a lot more in the works.

I have a mental image of black holes as ravenous creatures, ever-growing, ever-devouring. But that's not necessarily true, is it?

Supermassive black holes can peacefully co-exist with galaxies, and this remarkable relationship seems to hold true even for galaxies outside of the Milky Way.

TODAY ON DISCUSSIONS: Washington Post staff writer Jason La Canfora takes your questions about the Redskins at 1 p.m. | **washingtonpost.com/discussions.**

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GET YOUR ATHLETIC APPAREL ONLINE ANYMORE. Under Armour will open its first retail store Thursday at Westfield Annapolis Mall. The Baltimore-based apparel maker previously sold its merchandise through other retailers and on its Web site.

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"You wouldn't know it to look at me today, but I was once part of a massive restructuring plan."

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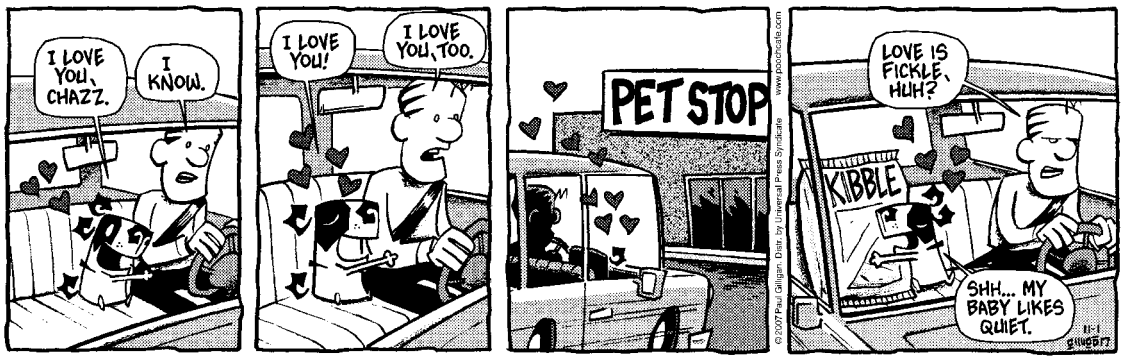

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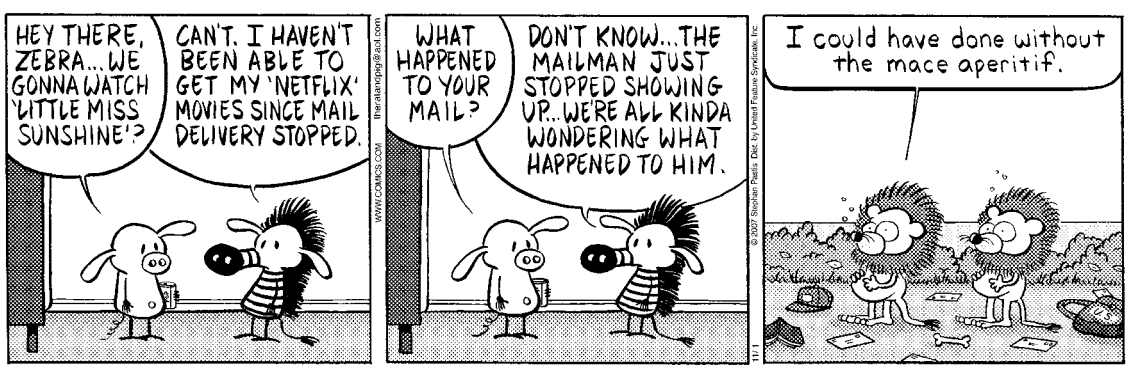

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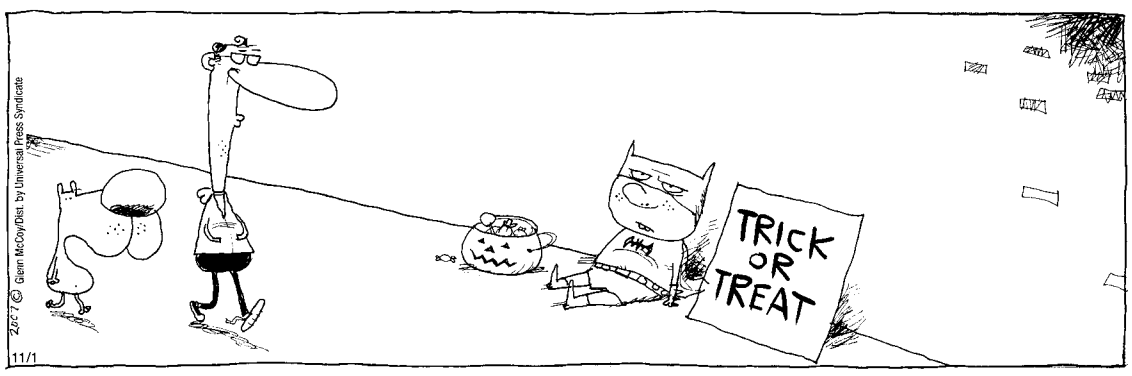

Horoscope

By Stella Wilder

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Don't let yourself feel as though you're simply following a routine at this time. Much depends upon your own sense of involvement.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Accuracy is the key; you won't be able to get away with any guesswork at this time. Focus on facts and figures; assess options.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) It is important that you know exactly when to walk away from a project that is not working for you. Someone else's methods may pay off.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) It shouldn't take you long to tend to routine affairs. During evening hours, a surprise presents itself and requires immediate attention.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) This is a good day for breaking through personal barriers of all kinds. Concentrate on doing what you said you'd do — and doing it well.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Yes, it's time once again to play a guessing game with someone who doesn't really want you to know what he or she is up to. Trust your instincts.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Be sure to remember times and dates as you make plans for the coming few days. Write things down.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your connection with someone much younger than yourself will prove beneficial to you in an unanticipated way. Are you teacher or student?

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Do you have what it takes to come through for someone who is depending on you at this time? You'll know for sure one way or the other.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You can actually profit from a personal sacrifice, but not immediately. Taking a slight risk early on pays off handsomely later in the day.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You may not be able to avoid distractions, but when it comes to intrusions, you can and must put your foot down.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) You may not be in a position to call all the shots, but you can certainly perform well no matter who is in charge. Trust yourself.

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Michelangelo finished painting the Sistine Chapel's ceiling, above, today in 1512.

Today in History

1512 Michelangelo finishes painting the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel at the Vatican.

1765 The Stamp Act goes into effect, prompting stiff resistance from American colonists.

1950 Two Puerto Rican nationalists try to force their way into Blair House in D.C. to assassinate President Truman. The attempt fails, and one of the pair is killed, along with a White House police officer.

1973 Following the "Saturday Night Massacre," Acting Attorney General Robert H. Bork appoints Leon Jaworski to be the new Watergate special prosecutor, succeeding Archibald Cox.

2006 Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., apologizes for his "botched joke" about how young people might get "stuck in Iraq" if they did not study hard and do their homework.

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Look out People

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Other than Hugo, she has no one to talk about "America's Next Top Model" with.

INTERESTS

Naomi, Hugo Discuss 'Heroes', 'The Office'

NAOMI CAMPBELL met privately with President Hugo Chavez on Tuesday, becoming the latest in a series of celebrities hosted by the Venezuelan leader. She said little to reporters about what she hoped to discuss. "I've been here before, actually," she said. "A beautiful country. You've got great waterfalls." She added: "I'm not going to be political." (AP)

BRIEFOVERLINE

Paul Conspires With Media, Aliens to Ruin Mills' Life

HEATHER MILLS MCCARTNEY accused Paul McCartney of failing to protect her and their daughter from abuse ranging from slander to death threats. She also announced that she would seek European legislation to compel newspapers to apologize for untruthful stories. (AP)

PREGNANT

The Bump Is for Reals

Roberto Cavalli has confirmed, perhaps inadvertently, that **JENNIFER LOPEZ** is pregnant. When asked which types of clothing he designs for celebrities, the fashion designer told People magazine: "Well, Jennifer Lopez, at this moment, she requests something very special because she is waiting for the baby." "It is so complicated because every week she is getting bigger," Cavalli said. (AP)

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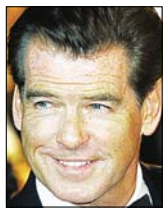
INEVITABLE

Post-Bond Descent Into Tawdry Minor Crime Begins



Sheriff's officials are investigating **PIERCE BROSNAN** in an alleged assault in Malibu, Calif. last week. The incident allegedly occurred outside a Mexican restaurant Friday night. Police said the 54-year-oldformer "James Bond" star wasn't arrested or detained. (AP)

CHRIS POLK/AP

She just keeps doing what she know does, know do like you do know what.

GARBLED

Spears Knows What's Up And What's True, You Know

BRITNEY SPEARS defended herself in a brief interview on Ryan Seacrest's radio show Wednesday. "People talk and they say what they want at the end of the day, you know in the tabloids and in the magazines," she said. "But you just try to keep on doing what you do, like, you know, and as long as you know what's up and you know what's true, that's all that really matters, you know?" The interview ended abruptly when Spears left to take a shower. (AP)

Marie and Jane's rivalry is getting way out of control.

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SUSPICIOUS

'Dancing' Devolves Further With Suspected Poisoning

JANE SEYMOUR was absent from the results show on "Dancing With the Stars" — but she had a good excuse. The 56-year-old actress missed Tuesday's live broadcast because she was sickened by food poisoning, ABC publicist Aime Wolfe said Wednesday. Wolfe didn't elaborate on Seymour's illness. Seymour, who missed another "Dancing" show earlier this month after the death of her mother, remains in the top-rated competition. So does Marie Osmond, who fainted on the air after finishing a samba last week. Sabrina Bryan, star of Disney Channel's "The Cheetah Girls," was voted off Tuesday night — an unexpected result considering she was widely expected to make it to the finale. (AP)

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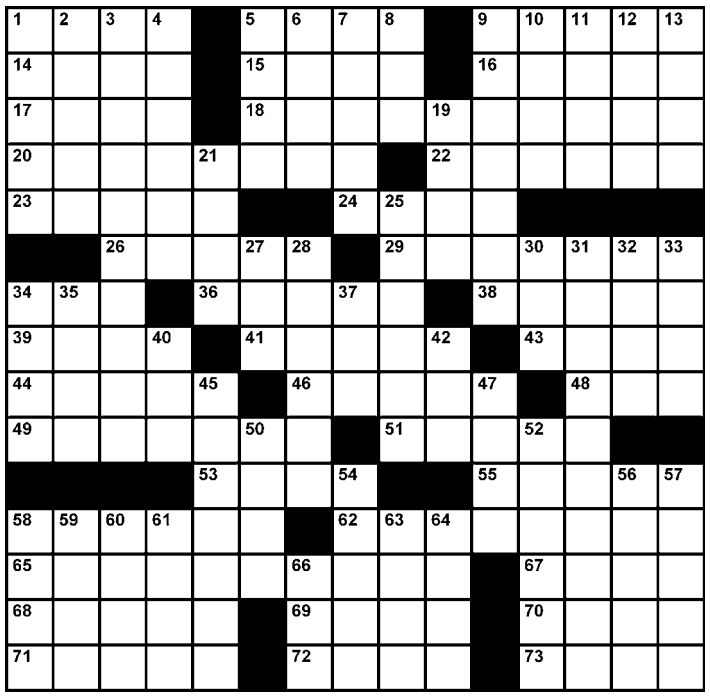

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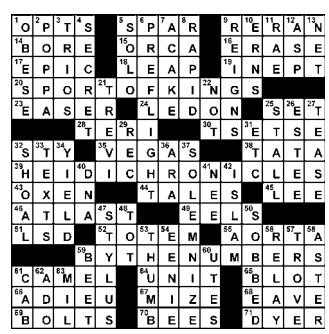

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NAME: Dr. Oliver Sacks
GIG: Neurologist, author of "Musicophilia"

DON'T BLAME James Blunt or Bach — the music in our heads is what sets us apart from other animals. For his latest foray into the mysteries of the human brain, Sacks ("Awakenings," "The Man Who Mistook Hi Wife for a Hat") collects anecdotes from patients with music-related conditions maddening and rhapsodic, from hallucinations to newfound talent, the inability to hear music to the ability to remember nothing else. "Musicophilia" is a fascinating, frightening ride, and it puts the annoying refrain of that Kylie Minogue song in its place.

I think people feel the experience of music in their heads is unique, but your book disproves that.
Well, certainly I've been giving a few talks here on the West Coast, and it's always come up as a subject. Whether it's become commoner or whether one has introduced it as a topic, people are saying to me, "Wow, yes. I have that, too."

Are they more susceptible to musical hallucinations than non-musicians?
Yes, I mean, for example, with the composer who was somewhat deaf at the high end and hears his tones distortedly, I can imagine that a less musically acute person might have that and not notice it. But a lot of the people I see with musical hallucinations are not particularly musical, and I think that involuntary musical imagery of one sort or another is universal.

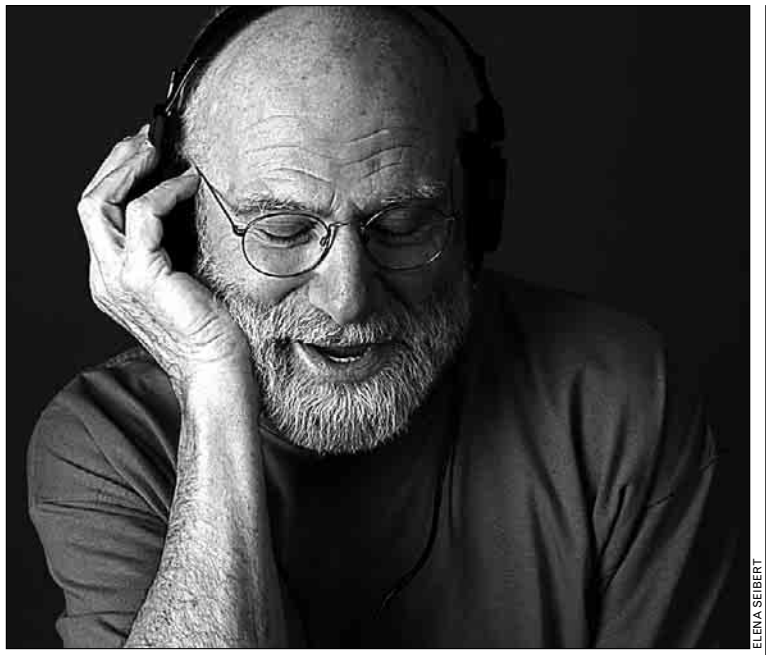
For more of our conversation with Dr. Sacks, visit **readexpress.com**

But even those patients will say they miss the hallucinations when they're gone.
Sometimes as a result of a head injury or a stroke, one may lose the music in one's head and feel that as a real bereavement. Like the sense of smell, it isn't something one gives much thought to, but it is part of the background of life — it enriches.

I love the thought of you obsessively listening to the Grunyons.
I was quite surprised myself, because it's not at all my sort of music. But an unexpected enchantment came upon me. It was partially one of those mechanical semi-brainworm things, but all the same, I had never heard a cappella groups of that sort.

Humans identify so closely with the music they choose, earworms almost rob us of that identity.
Music like that was designed to manipulate you and to hook your brain, and a lot of mischievous research went into devising it.

The book is less diagnostic than a stroll through the range of ways we respond to music.
I don't have any general theory of music and don't really have any general theories of the nervous system, but I feel that my role has always been to listen to people, to convey their experiences. ... So I do think of myself as a sort of naturalist. ARION BERGER (EXPRESS)



ELENA SEIBERT

SOUND TREATMENT: Sacks tells the stories of musically inclined— and disinclined.

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JAWS: Private Gedney (Brandon J. Gowen) is just inches from the tiger (unseen).

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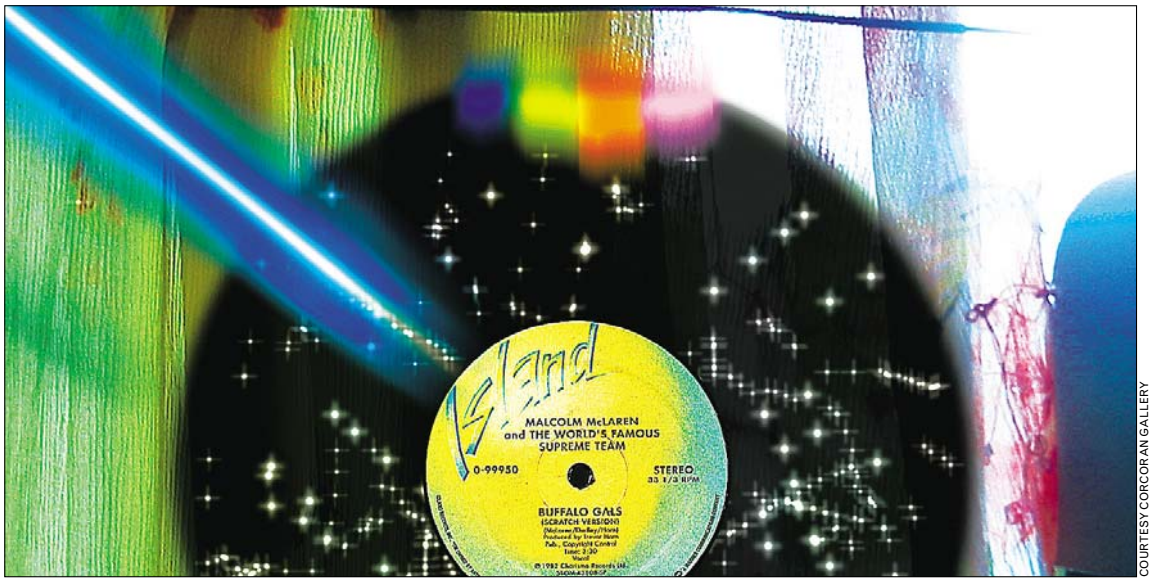

COURTESY CORCORAN GALLERY

Burning Bright

Jeremy Blake's 'Wild Choir' digital videos sing of artistic rebels

GALLERIES | "Punch-Drunk Love" is some kind of cinematic milestone, marking both Adam Sandler's acting debut and the tenth time Emily Watson outperformed her material.

In addition, Paul Thomas Anderson's 2002 feature employed, as title cards and transitions, a handful of "moving paintings" by Jeremy Blake, computer-animated dissolves of color fields into star fields — sort of Morris Louis meets Ross Bleckner, Flickr meets the Lava Lite. The same year, Blake worked equally dreamy turf for Beck's "Round the Bend" video, giving a unique visual identity to the erstwhile boy wonder's downer disc "Sea Change."

An entrancing new Corcoran show, "Wild Choir: Cinematic Portraits by Jeremy Blake," finds the artist augmenting his abstract grammar with a wide range of representational imagery, the better to conjure the imaginative and cultural ferment engulfing Swinging London frock designer Ossie Clark, punk impresario Malcolm McLaren and lo-fi poet David Berman.

Blake identified with the beautiful dreamers he built into his videos.

"Sodium Fox" plays hardest with visual puns, turning a blivet into a blowout comb and an "Asteroids" boulder into a crumple of paper. Likewise with verbal references: Berman's voice-over namechecks Julian Jaynes' theory of "the breakdown of the bicameral mind." On the soundtrack, Ernest Tubb is voicechecked; on the screen, Barry Hannah is facechecked. Synthetic crackling underpinning the looping scenery suggests a hipster Yule Log, its flames endlessly renewed.

"Reading Ossie Clark" draws on the faded fashionista's scattered diaries, a jet-setting nightclubber's journal much like Andy Warhol's. Blissed-out and bleary-eyed, it recalls the days when the children of the Blitz were puttin' on the Ritz. Not confined to headphones, Clarissa Dalrymple's narration washes over the gallery as studio echo and room reverb combine in a sonic haze.

Left unfinished is "Glitterbest," a parade of Day-Glo Rorschachs named for McLaren's management company. If there's one thing the maestro understood, it was how to con people into perceiving evolution as revolution.

Punk was nothing more than glam turned inside out and left to rot, entrails and sequins on the sidewalk. Or as McLaren's seductively superior voice intones: "To a pirate, style is just an 'X' on a tattered map ..."

Underlying the slick, clever manipulation of word and image is Blake's obsession with artists' stories, particularly those of the drug-fueled, doomstruck variety.

It seems more than coincidental that Clark was an early flameout who descended into poverty and obscurity before being murdered by an ex-lover. Or that McLaren manipulated the self-destructive tendencies of Sid Vicious into violent spectacle. Or that, a couple of years before teaming with Blake, Berman survived a suicide attempt.

Blake didn't survive his; he took his own life in July. It's more than just the obvious shame, though, because unlike the artists he idolized, he left no suspicion that his best work was behind him. GLENN DIXON

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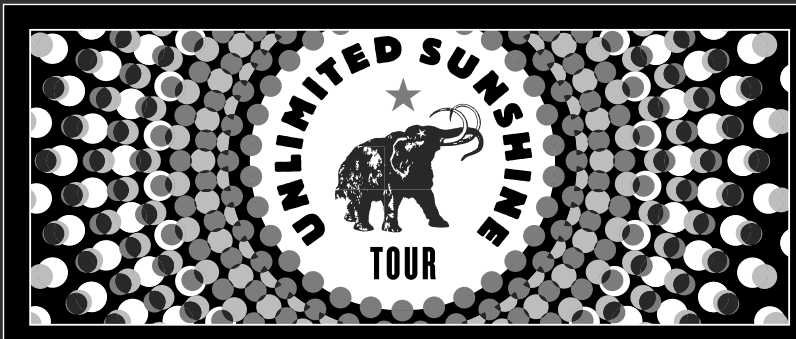

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The Sweetish Thing

The duo Koop gives its nu jazz an exotic Scandinavian flavor

MUSIC | There are two important things listeners of the electronic "nu jazz" duo Koop need to know about composer-producer Magnus Zingmark. First, he grew up in Sweden. Second, the first music he ever heard was jazz. This goes a long way toward explaining Koop's very European take on vocal jazz. The group's lilting beats, refined arrangements and airy vocals make for a sweetly subtle soufflé of sound.

"Both my parents were jazz fans," says Zingmark, who leads Koop along with fellow Swede Oscar Simonsson. "My father used to play jazz drums when he was young. They always played [jazz] in the house. So that was my first experience, really, of music."

The breezy outdoor-café vibe of Koop brings to mind non-U.S. artists of the 1960s like exotica legend Esquivel and bossa nova goddess Astrud Gilberto (whose track "Here's That Rainy Day" Koop reworked for a remix CD). The group's sublimely melodic third CD, "Koop Islands," has been out for a year in Europe but just got an expanded U.S. release. Those who buy the domestic edition will get to hear the sultry Hilde Louise Asbjornsen on the new track "Strange Love." The Norwegian singer is fronting the band on its U.S. mini-tour.

"It's gonna be seven of us," Zingmark explains. "It's a full band. [Asbjornsen] has been with us for a couple of months. She's really, really good."

Koop, whose name translates to "cooperation", recently scored a coup by getting their swing-tronic gem "Come to Me" on ABC's "Grey's Anatomy." But the exposure hasn't made much of a difference, Zingmark says.

"It's not a big thing here in Sweden," he explains. "Of course, the TV show is well known, but we haven't gained anything from it here. But hopefully, in America, it can help us in some ways."

TONY SCLAFANI

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NO, THIS IS NOT KRAFTWERK: The Swedish duo Koop explores lounge, jazz and exotica on their heady new CD, "Koop Island."

➜ *9:30 Club, 815 V St. NW; with DJ Christine Moritz, Sat., 11 p.m., $20; 202-265-0930. (U St.-Cardozo)*

The Wild Boy Inside

Septime Webre puts Maurice Sendak's 'Wild Things' in motion

DANCE | Since 1963, Maurice Sendak's dark, witty "Where the Wild Things Are" has been gobbling up the attention of children and unleashing the imagination of adults. Timeless themes of love, family and transgression run through the story of how one night scampish Max, dressed in his wolf suit, engages in epic acts of naughtiness and finally becomes ruler of his own tribe — the wild things — before the smell of his supper cooking rights him.

In 1997, Sendak teamed with composer Randall Woolf and choreographer Septime Webre to create a "Wild Things" ballet. Webre, artistic director of the Washington Ballet, entered the jungle of cross-media adaptation with relish. This weekend only, the Washington Ballet revives the work with Jason Hartley and Jonathan Jordan alternating in the role of Max.

STEVE VACCARIELLO

Jason Hartley unleashes his inner wild thing as the adventurous hero Max.

Sendak and Webre backfilled Max's adventure, adding a layer of resonance to his perilous wanderings. Sendak originally drew the Wild Things as caricatures of his aunt, uncles and cousins.

"They were recent immigrants from Europe, and they spoke Yiddish and they terrified him. He remembers them as fat and loud with hair growing out of their noses."

The ballet begins with chaos in Max's home before vaulting him into the chaos of his own rebellion, keeping intact Sendak's balance of threat and play that every child feels the unknown rustle outside his window.

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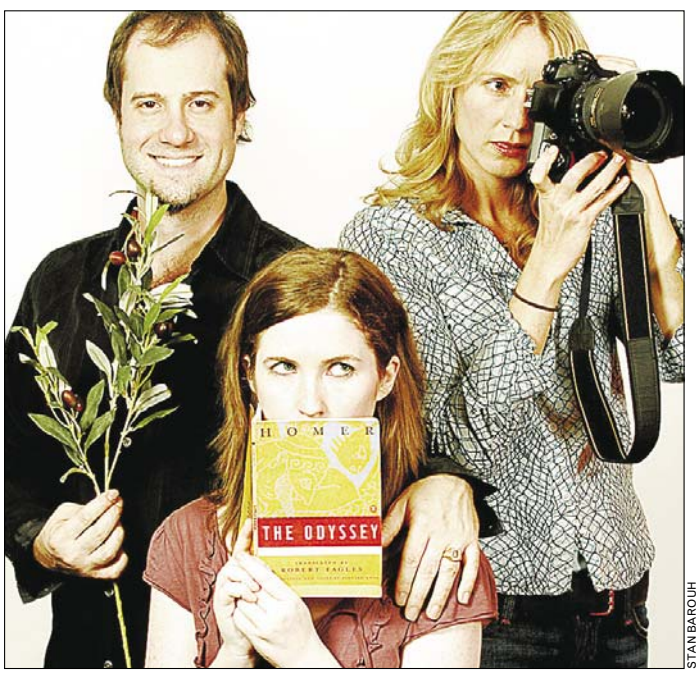

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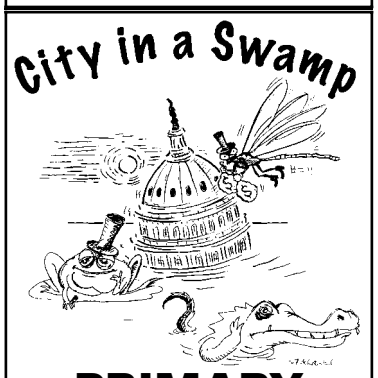

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BRUCE DEBOER

NEW SONG FROM THE SOUTH: Dom Flemons, Rhiannon Giddens and Justin Robinson are part of a wave of musicians reclaiming the stringband tradition as an African-American one, with roots in West African instruments and American country.

Strings Attached

Stringband Carolina Chocolate Drops are living musical history

MUSIC | Somewhere between blackface and bluegrass, "Blue-Tail Fly" and "The Ballad of Jed Clampett," the banjo was branded the whitest instrument in America — the ultimate cracker ax.

Well, it ain't so. The banjo is an African-American hybrid, its ancestors West African instruments such as the ngoni and the akonting.

And since blacks largely abandoned the banjo and its partner in crime, the fiddle, during the Civil Rights era — which coincided almost exactly with the folk revival — the time is more than ripe for a comeback.

A new generation of African-American musicians is starting to embrace the heritage of vintage acts such as Cannon's Jug Stompers and old-time vets such as fiddler Joe Thompson, a newly honored NEA National Heritage Fellow.

Held in North Carolina in 2005, the Black Banjo Gathering was a watershed moment. Then in his early twenties, Arizona-based multi-instrumentalist Dom Flemons had had trouble finding gigs or even people to play with.

Over the course of a weekend, everything changed.

> "We'll do shows, and there'll be black people who come up and say, 'I don't like this music, but I like what you're doing.'"
>
> **DOM FLEMONS**, STRINGBAND PLAYER

"I'd say there were about 11 or 12 [black banjo players]," Flemons recalled, "but that's just enough. Everybody there was thinking, 'OK, I'm the only one that's doing this.' And then to see other people doing it — I think that that invigorated everyone and got them to want to spread the word farther."

In short order, Flemons teamed up with fiddler and singer Justin Robinson and singer, fiddler and banjoist Rhiannon Giddens. Flemons relocated to Nroth Carolina, and the Carolina Chocolate Drops were born. Supporting an expanded version of their 2006 disc "Dona Got a Ramblin' Mind," they open for the Austin Lounge Lizards Sunday at the Birchmere.

Part of what's happening is that a hidden corner of African-American musical taste is coming to light. "Black people love country music," Flemons said. Sometimes all it takes is a rousing performance by the CCDs to get them to admit it. "I've had tons of them. We'll do shows, and there'll be black people that'll come up and say, 'I don't like this music, but I like what you're doing,' or they'll say, 'I've loved country music for years,' and then they'll just walk off." GLENN DIXON

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Matters Of Faith And Rock

David Bazan takes his literary indie-rock to ambiguous places

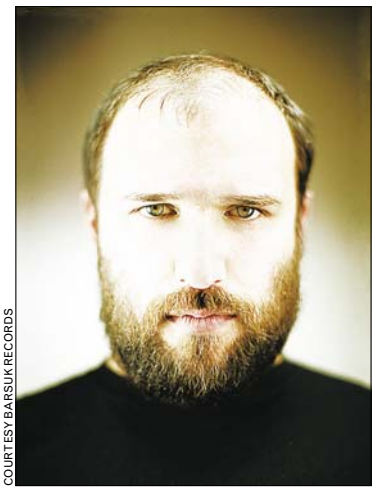
MUSIC | "I guess I'm a hopeful agnostic," says David Bazan. His band Pedro the Lion pushed indie rock into territory once owned by moral spelunkers like Flannery O'Connor and Neil Labute. He was a Christian who eschewed the bombastic pieties of Creed and its ilk.

But life is complicated. "The songs now are coming out more autobiographical than anything I've ever written. Some deal with the grief of the band being over. And I have a daughter that's almost three, and that's huge."

Then there's the whole faith question.

"Because of my faith growing up, and my estrangement from that now, I have a longing for the simplicity that once was," says Bazan. "I have little 'Aha!' moments. But real joy is so elusive."

Without a band name or characters to play, "now I just try to get up there and allow myself to be a fool for these songs that I've written and really enjoy what they are to me."



COURTESY BARSUK RECORDS

DIVINE DOUBTS: As a solo artist, Bazan is refining his songwriting.

Not unlike O'Connor, whose work is similarly intense and ambiguous. Bazan admits he admires her work, saying, "You sense that there's no assumed ending, but a genuine grappling with these pretty cool and heavy questions." Like, where's the line between faith and doubt?

"I won't ever be able to put that question down as a central theme in my life," says Bazan. "The music is an expression of that. I imagine my relationship with faith will continue to change." BOB MASSEY

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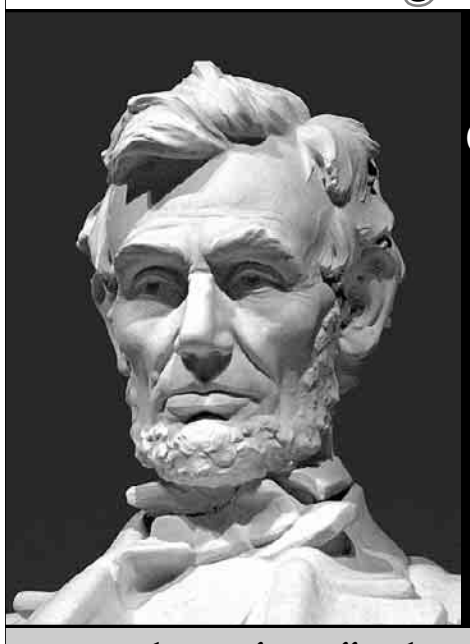

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Philosophical Drama

WSC's 'Caligula' is an experiment in boundless freedom

"One cannot destroy everything without destroying oneself." — Albert Camus

STAGE | The above pronouncement is uttered by the French philosopher and author himself in the introduction to the Washington Shakespeare Company's ambitious new production of Camus' 1938 play "Caligula."

"My artless intention was to play the part of Caligula myself. ... Inexperienced actors often show such guilelessness," Camus says.

Inserting the author into the play might seem like a small concession in that regard, but it's a stroke of genius on the part of director Christopher Henley, as it lends weight to the philosophical underpinnings of the drama based on the story of the Roman Empire's third and most-disturbed emperor.

RAY GNIEWEK

HEAD LIKE A HOLE: "Caligula," like all of Camus' works, reflects 20th-century philosophy and explores human existence.

It also reflects Henley's imaginative directorial style. Currently showing at the Clark Street Playhouse in Crystal City, "Caligula" is infused with nods toward contemporary culture and staged within impressive scenery that exposes eerie netherworld visions and shadow-cast reflections of the emperor's haunted mind.

Caligula (Alexander Strain), finding existence unbearable in the wake of his sister (and lover) Drusilla's death, attempts to reaffirm his own freedom through cruelty and nihilism. The aggrieved emperor seals his own fate, but not before forcing his "imperial logic" on those closest to him; though some yield willingly.

First performed in 1945 at the Théâtre Hébertot in Paris, "Caligula" was initially intended for a theater group Camus founded in Algiers in the 1930s.

The WSC production, based on a new translation by David Greig, is well acted and imbued with quick wit (despite refusing to give his life purpose amid meaningless existence, Camus figures Caligula still liked a good joke).

The ensemble cast is fleet-footed and fun to watch. Kathleen Akerley is a standout in her dual role as the author Camus and the character Cherea, a writer privy to the tyrant's court, and Strain's Caligula has a commanding presence.

JOHNATHAN RICKMAN

➜ *Clark Street Playhouse, 601 S.Clark St., Arlington; 800-494-8497; washingtonshakespeare.org.*

Joy Division's Dark Substance

A post-punk legend's stylish biopic offers unknown pleasures

FILM | In the 27 years since Ian Curtis' death, a legend of extravagant rock 'n' roll melancholy has accrued around the memory of the lead singer of Joy Division. Photographer and filmmaker Anton Corbijn breathes the humanity back into Curtis' towering myth without indulging in post-punk revisionist history.

It's a tricky task, but "Control," the ravishing black-and-white biopic about Curtis' life, is rational. Corbijn makes it hard to worship or even trust his doomed hero, painting unsentimentally the resignation with which Curtis faces a go-nowhere life: Infamously, he died on the eve of Joy Division's first U.S. tour.

THE WEINSTEIN COMPANY

HE'S LOST CONTROL: Sam Reilly inhabits Ian Curtis' torment and need for poetry.

The film follows Curtis (extraordinary newcomer Sam Reilly) as he hooks up with bandmates and begins making a splash around their depressed village — in one heart-breaking grace note, the band shuffles onstage past a flyer for a production of "Peter Pan."

The brighter Joy Div's future looked, the faster Curtis shoveled in the quicksand, marrying at 19 (the film is based on his widow, Deborah's, book, "Touching From a Distance"), slogging to work in a job-placement office, finding expression in the taut, elliptical, apocalyptic poetry that became Joy Division's greatest legacy.

That Curtis would be subsumed by darkness was probably inevitable. The onset of epilepsy may have been the final straw. But when Curtis gave in to the helplessness, channeling his symptoms into the spasmodic march onstage, sadness, madness and transendence become one, and those crazy dances tell a rock 'n' roll story realer than the one about the doomed young god.

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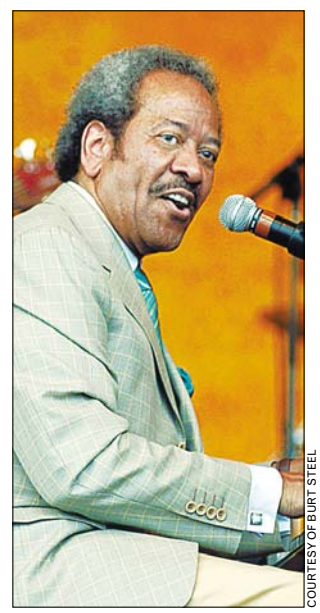

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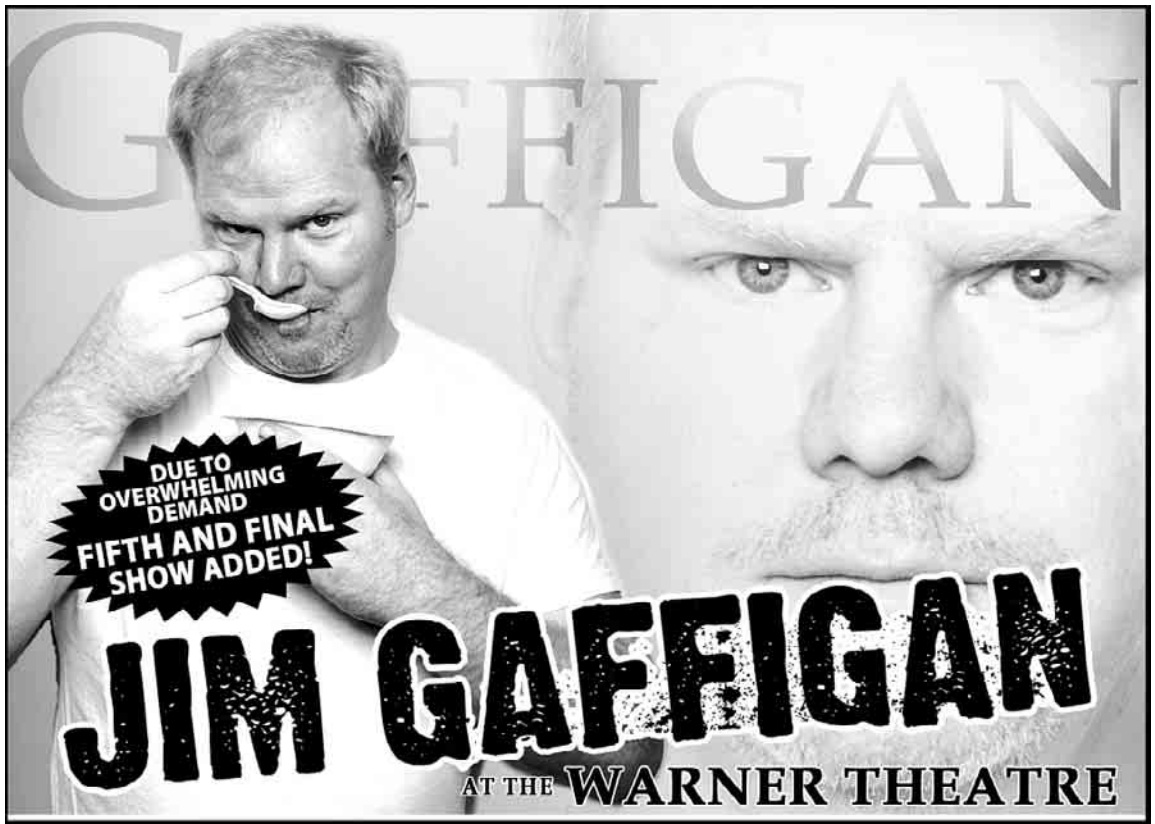

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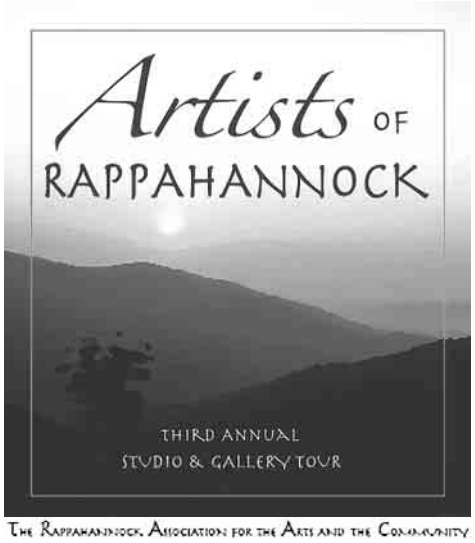

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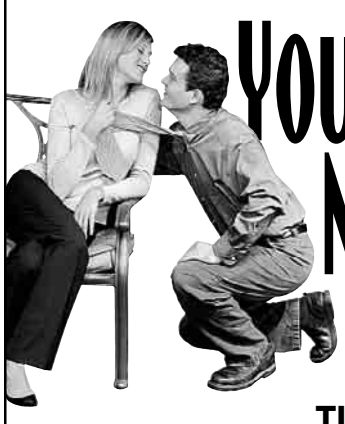

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The Trail's Gone Cold

Det. Jane Tennison drowns her sorrows in 'Prime Suspect 7'

DVDS | One of TV's greatest and grittiest detectives is retiring from the force. In 2006, BBC aired the seventh and final installment of "Prime Suspect," the long-running crime series starring Helen Mirren as Detective Superintendent Jane Tennison and co-starring London as the most depressing place on earth.

In the 15 years since its debut, "Prime Suspect" has presented a realistic world where police have the best intentions but make grave errors nevertheless. Messes and mysteries aren't resolved in an hour; the bad guys may be captured, but the emotional price Tennison pays — especially as a female detective in a male-dominated field — is immense.

Now released on DVD by Acorn Media, "Prime Suspect 7: The Final Act" finds her facing one last case. Unfortunately, the whodunit — about a 14-year-old girl murdered on the London Heath — is one of the series' least substantial mysteries.

COURTESY ACORN MEDIA

TWILIGHT: In "Prime Suspect 7," Helen Mirren, with Stephen Tompkinson and Laura Greenwood, faces her final challenge.

As in the previous few episodes, the murder is primarily a catalyst for continuing character development. "The Final Act" focuses almost exclusively on Tennison, who, facing an uncertain future, has fallen into some bad habits. It's not until late in the case that she realizes her drinking has compromised the investigation, and she must, as always, confront the fallout.

Mirren, who won an Emmy for this role, manages to find new depths and surprises in this admirably complicated character. Her co-stars all sing her praises on the informative yet slightly inflated making-of featurette, with one young actor calling the experience a "master class."

It's not always easy to watch this strong female character sink into alcoholism and confusion, yet Tennison's redemption is all the more satisfying because of these trials — and all the more believable for being so measured and ambiguous. It's a fitting end to a show that will be sorely missed.

STEPHEN M. DEUSNER

Take 10

THE WASHINGTON POST'S FILM CRITICS TACKLE THIS WEEK'S BOX-OFFICE TOP 10

1 | Saw IV

Jigsaw is at it again in the fourth iteration of the gory franchise, which fills in the villain's backstory. This film was not screened for critics.

2 | Dan in Real Life

Steve Carell plays a newspaper advice columnist and single dad who falls in love with his brother's girlfriend; it's sentimental, patently false romantic pandering. ANN HORNADAY

3 | 30 Days of Night

This is the kind of gruesome but entertaining survival guide you pray you never have to follow. DESSON THOMSON

4 | The Game Plan

The familiar formula is brightened by a bit of wit and good performances from Dwayne Johnson and the adorable Madison Pettis. MIKE MAYO

5 | Tyler Perry's Why Did I Get Married?

Five thirtysomething African-American couples deal with a host of domestic problems in writer-director-producer-star Tyler Perry's adaptation of his play. Talk is plentiful; action is not. MIKE MAYO

LIONSGATE

KILLER SHOT: Betsy Russell and Tobin Bell in the Halloween-week winner "Saw IV."

6 | Michael Clayton

This uncommonly intelligent thriller evokes the great films of the 1970s that elicited gritty urban realism while maintaining suave style and moral complexity. ANN HORNADAY

7 | Gone Baby Gone

The movie is taut, fast, achingly authentic and terribly melancholy, but the real star is Boston's seamier side, vividly evoked. STEPHEN HUNTER

8 | The Comebacks

The cheesy sports movie is ripe for mockery, but this comedy isn't the one to do it. DESSON THOMSON

9 | We Own the Night

James Gray's melodramatic cop thriller never catches fire, even literally in an improbable climax set in a burning field. ANN HORNADAY

10 | Tim Burton's the Nightmare Before Christmas

Tim Burton's 1993 animated charmer with double the ghoulish fun now goes 3-D in a Disney re-release. It was not reviewed.

Indies&Arties

Caesar, Caesar

Mervyn LeRoy's "Little Caesar" cemented in moviegoers' minds the gangster-film template, with its brooding good-bad antihero, its betrayals and reversals, and overheated script. This 1930 low-budget gangster thriller starring Edward D. Robinson as an Italian-American mobster still packs a gritty punch. It's screening with Gordon Douglas' "I Was a Communist for the FBI" (1951), whose excellent title tells all.

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Deadpan Rock

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SONY CLASSICS

"Persepolis" describes Marianne Satrapi's youth as a cultural tug-of-war.

EU Film Showcase

We're not sure where to begin describing the spectacle that is this year's European Union Film Showcase at AFI Silver. Suffice it to say some of the best recent movies in some of the world are gathering in Silver Spring beginning on Thursday, including the film adapatation of Marianne Satrapi's autobiographical graphic novel "Persepolis"; Nanni Moretti's fantastical "Il Caimano," about disgraced Italian prime minister Silvo Berlusconi; Spanish horror movie "The Orphanage"; and Manoel di Oliveira's "Christopher Columbus, the Enigma."

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Kennedy Center: National Symphony Orchestra: Iván Fischer, conductor, Nikolaj Znaider, violin, performs Beethoven, 7 p.m., $20-$80. Marcel Khalifé, 7:30 p.m., sold out.

Lisner Auditorium: Sam Bush, Jerry Douglas, Edgar Meyer, 8 p.m., $25-$40.

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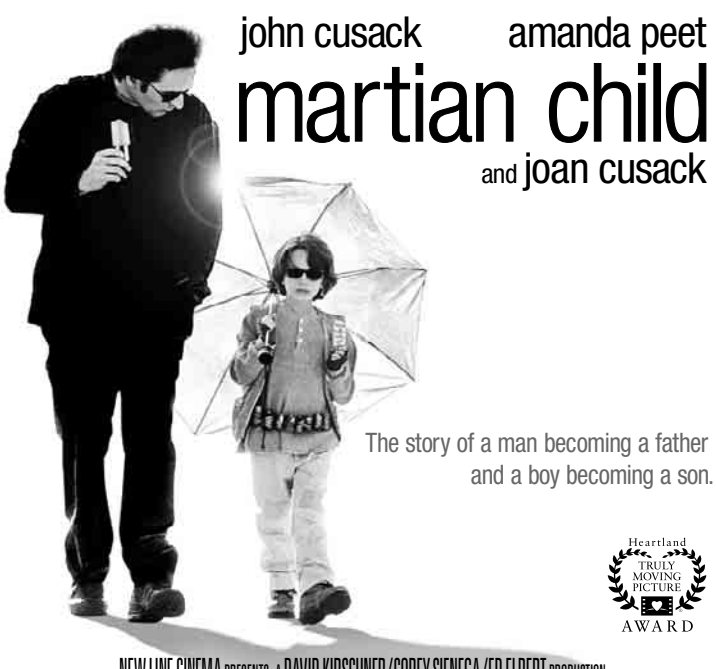

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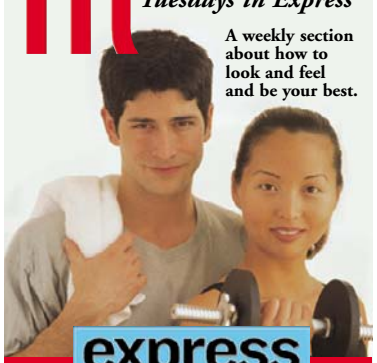

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safire, 7 p.m., $17.

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Rock and Roll Hotel: "Trailer Trash Night," 8 p.m., free.

Strathmore: Marian Anderson String Quartet, 7:30 p.m., sold out. BSO Superpops: Michael Feinstein, 8 p.m., $21-$84.

Velvet Lounge: Justin Jones, Brett Rosenberg, John Bustine, Sunchild, 9 p.m., $10.

Verizon Center: Van Halen, 7:30 p.m., sold out.

Wolf Trap: Susan Werner, Meg Hutchinson, 8 p.m., $22.

Zanzibar: Raheem Devaughn, 7 p.m., see zanzibar-otw.com.

➜ FRIDAY

Apex: "Ultimate Dance Party," 9 p.m., $9.

Bangkok Blues: Idylwood, 7 p.m. Linwood Taylor, 10 p.m., $5-$10.

Be Bar: "Be: britney," all Britney Spears, all night, 10 p.m., free.

Birchmere: 1964: The Tribute, 7:30 p.m., $35.

Black Cat: The Sketches, the Alternate Routes, No Second Troy, 9 p.m., $10. "Sorted," Britpop, Soul, Indiepop with DJ Stereo Faith, 9:30 p.m., $5 (backstage).

Blues Alley: Jonathan Butler, 8 & 10 p.m., $20.

Bohemian Caverns: Reginald Cyntje — a tribute to Bob Marley, 9 p.m., $15.

Café Saint-Ex: DJ Eskimo, 10 p.m., free.

Constitution Hall: Morrissey, 8 p.m., $34-$64.

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DC9: "Liberation Dance Party," 9 p.m., $6.

Iota: Honor by August, Sparky's Flaw, Quickstep John, 9:30 p.m., $10.

Jammin' Java: Pink Floyd's "The Wall" as performed by the Paul Green School of Rock Music, 6 p.m., $10. The Iternals, Future, 10 p.m., $10.

Jaxx: Therion, Aesma Daeva, Division, Burning Shadows, Almost Human, 7 p.m., $20 ($18 in advance).

Kennedy Center: John Patitucci, 7:30 p.m., sold out, 9:30 p.m., $25. Marcel Khalifé, 7:30 p.m., sold out. National Symphony Orchestra: Iván Fischer, conductor, Nikolaj Znaider, violin, performs Beethoven, 8 p.m., $20-$80.

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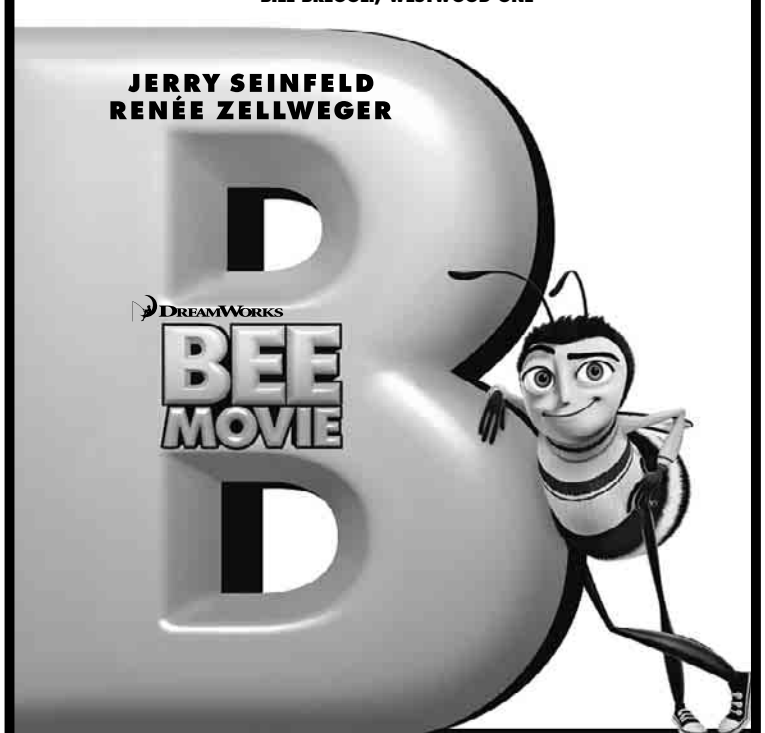

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State Theatre: The Nappy Brown Review, 7 p.m., $17 ($15 in advance).

Strathmore: Three Dog Night, 8 p.m., $25-$58.

Twins Jazz: The Jared Gold Trio, 9 & 11 p.m., $15.

Velvet Lounge: East Hundred, Doug Cheatwood & the Bastards of Fate, the Physics of Meaning, Stamen & Pistils, 9 p.m., $10.

Wolf Trap: Karla Bonoff, 8 p.m., $22.

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Bangkok Blues: The Meteors, 7 p.m. Bad Influence, 10 p.m., $5-$10.

Birchmere: Tom Paxton, the Kennedys, 7:30 p.m., $29.50.

Black Cat: The Thermals, Reporter, History, 9 p.m., $13. "WAG," '60s garage and soul, 9:30 p.m., $5 (backstage).

Blues Alley: Jonathan Butler, 8 & 10 p.m., $20.

Café Saint-Ex: DJ DK, 10 p.m., free.

Crossroads: "Whining Season," grand opening, $15 before midnight.

DC9: "Taint, an alternative dance night for queer boys and girls," 9 p.m., $5.

George Mason University Center for the Arts: Doc Watson, Richard Watson, David Holt, 8 p.m., $20-$40.

Iota: Shane Hines and the Trance, the Blackjacks, New Rock Church of Fire, 9:30 p.m., $11.

Jammin' Java: Pink Floyd's "The Wall" as performed by the Paul Green School of Rock Music, 2 p.m., $10. Aztec Two-Step, 7 p.m., $20.

Jaxx: Bill Deal's Rhondels, High Octane, 7:30 p.m., $20 ($15 in advance).

Kennedy Center: Korean Concert Society, Hee Young Lim, cello, 7:30 p.m., $30. National Symphony Orchestra: Iván Fischer, conductor, Nikolaj Znaider, violin, performs Beethoven, 8 p.m., $20-$80.

9:30 Club: Zap Mama, Fertile Ground, 6:30 p.m., $25. Koop, DJ Christine Moritz, 11 p.m., $20.

The Red & the Black: "U.B.U. Danceparty," with DJs Mellie Mel, Misguided, 9 p.m., $5.

Rock and Roll Hotel: Maria Taylor, the Positions, Julie Ocean, 8:30 p.m., $12 ($10 in advance).

Schlesinger Concert Hall: Alexandria Symphony Orchestra, "An Evening of Beethoven and Brahms," 8 p.m., $20-$80.

State Theatre: Pat Monahan, Nine, 7 p.m., $25.

Strathmore: The 5 Browns, 7 p.m., $21-$58.

Twins Jazz: The Jared Gold Trio, 9 & 11 p.m., $15.

Velvet Lounge: Salome Nihilitia, Death by Sexy, 9 p.m., $10.

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Wolf Trap: Karla Bonoff, 7:30 p.m., $22.

Zanzibar: "Reggae on the Waterfront," free before 9 p.m.

➜ SUNDAY

Bangkok Blues: Blues Jam with Bill Holter, 7:30 p.m., $5-$10.

Birchmere: Austin Lounge Lizards, 7:30 p.m., $21.50.

Black Cat: The Black Hollies, the Breakups, 9 p.m., $8 (backstage).

Blues Alley: Karen Bernod, 8 & 10 p.m., $60.

Clarice Smith Center: Andrew Manze, Richard Egarr, 7:30 p.m., $40.

Crossroads: Dancehall Sundays, ladies free before 11 p.m. with pass from crossroadsclub.com.

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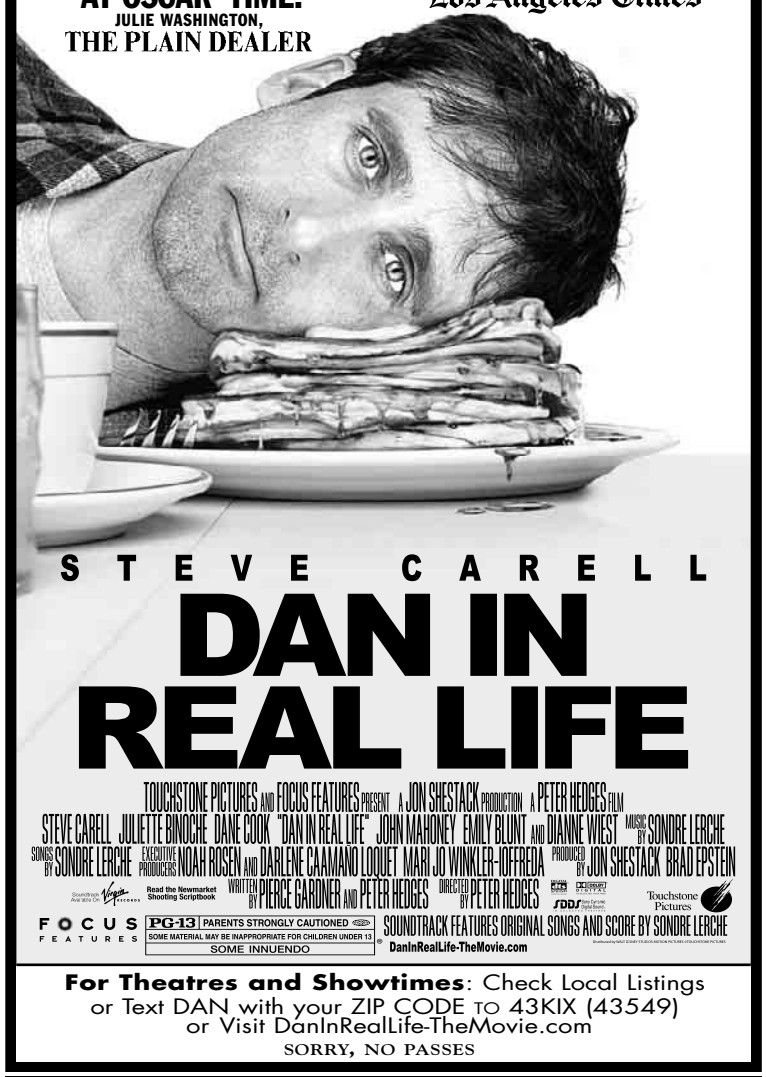

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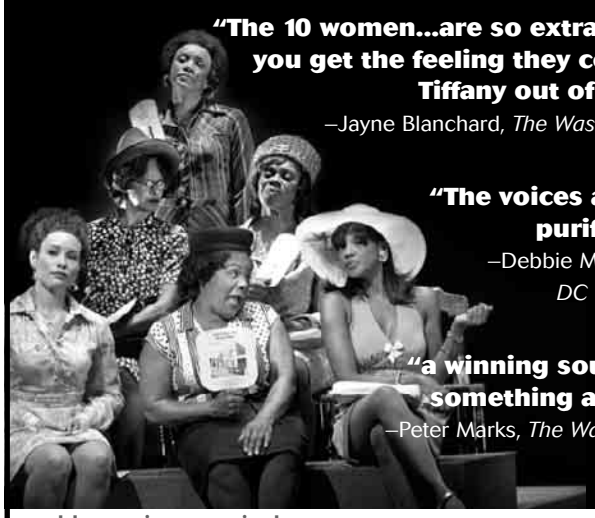

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TYLER PERRY'S: WHY DID I GET MARRIED? (PG-13) (1205 1240) 315 420 620 715 1010
WE OWN THE NIGHT (R) - ID REQ'D (140) 440 755 1040
MICHAEL CLAYTON (R) - ID REQ'D (130) 435 750 1030
THE KINGDOM (R) - ID REQ'D (120) 710

BALLSTON COMMON STADIUM 12
Glebe Rd, Arlington — 800-FANDANGO 377#

Adv. Tix on Sale BEE MOVIE (PG) ★
Adv. Tix on Sale AMERICAN GANGSTER (R) - ID REQ'D ★
DAN IN REAL LIFE (PG-13) (230 505) 740 1015
BELLA (PG-13) (255 525) 755 1025
THE TEN COMMANDMENTS (PG) (210) PM
30 DAYS OF NIGHT (R) - ID REQ'D (220 515) 800 1045
RENDITION (R) - ID REQ'D (115 420) 725 1030
LARS AND THE REAL GIRL (PG-13) (205 445) 730 1005
TYLER PERRY'S: WHY DID I GET MARRIED? (PG-13) (1250 340) 640 940
MICHAEL CLAYTON (R) - ID REQ'D (100 355) 700 955
THE GAME PLAN (PG) (120 405) 650 930
THE KINGDOM (R) - ID REQ'D (140 435) 720 1010
ASSASSINATION OF JESSE JAMES (R) - ID REQ'D (430) 810
INTO THE WILD (R) - ID REQ'D (130 455) 820
ACROSS THE UNIVERSE (PG-13) (150 500) 805 1100

BOWIE STADIUM 14
15200 Major Lansdale Blvd — 800-FANDANGO 454#

Adv. Tix on Sale BEE MOVIE (PG) ★
Adv. Tix on Sale AMERICAN GANGSTER (R) - ID REQ'D ★
Adv. Tix on Sale FRED CLAUS (PG) ★
SAW IV (R) - ID REQ'D (100 145 315 415 530) 745 830 1015 1045
DAN IN REAL LIFE (PG-13) (230 515) 800 1045
THINGS WE LOST IN THE FIRE (R) - ID REQ'D (200 445) 730 1015
THE COMEBACKS (PG-13) (215 430) 645 930
NIGHTMARE BEFORE CHRISTMAS 3D - $2.50 EXTRA FOR 3D (PG) (115 415) 700 930
30 DAYS OF NIGHT (R) - ID REQ'D (145 415) 715 1000
RENDITION (R) - ID REQ'D (115 345) 645 945
TYLER PERRY'S: WHY DID I GET MARRIED? (PG-13) (100 130 200 345 430 500) 700 730 800 1000 1030
WE OWN THE NIGHT (R) - ID REQ'D (200 500) 745 1030
MICHAEL CLAYTON (R) - ID REQ'D (215 515) 815
THE GAME PLAN (PG) (115 400) 645 945

BETHESDA 10
7272 Wisconsin Avenue — 800-FANDANGO 569#

Adv. Tix on Sale BEE MOVIE (PG) ★
Adv. Tix on Sale AMERICAN GANGSTER (R) - ID REQ'D ★
Adv. Tix on Sale FRED CLAUS (PG) ★
DAN IN REAL LIFE (PG-13) (230 500) 745 1010
SAW IV (R) - ID REQ'D (100 315 530) 745 1000
THINGS WE LOST IN THE FIRE (R) - ID REQ'D (400) 950
THE COMEBACKS (PG-13) (220 440) 700 920
30 DAYS OF NIGHT (R) - ID REQ'D (230 515) 800 1030
RENDITION (R) - ID REQ'D (110 400) 730 1015
WE OWN THE NIGHT (R) - ID REQ'D (240 515) 800 1030
ELIZABETH: THE GOLDEN AGE (PG-13) (115) 715
TYLER PERRY'S: WHY DID I GET MARRIED? (PG-13) (100 345) 715 1000
MICHAEL CLAYTON (R) - ID REQ'D (210 450) 730 1010
THE GAME PLAN (PG) (200 430) 700 930

POTOMAC YARD STADIUM 16
3575 Jefferson Davis Hwy — 800-FANDANGO 690#

Adv. Tix on Sale BEE MOVIE (PG) ★
Adv. Tix on Sale AMERICAN GANGSTER (R) - ID REQ'D ★
Adv. Tix on Sale FRED CLAUS (PG) ★
SAW IV (R) - ID REQ'D (1230 200 230 300 430 500 530) 700 730 800 930 1000 1030
DAN IN REAL LIFE (PG-13) (240 510) 740 1010
THINGS WE LOST IN THE FIRE (R) - ID REQ'D (410) 955
GONE BABY GONE (R) - ID REQ'D (115 415) 715 1015
NIGHTMARE BEFORE CHRISTMAS 3D - $2.50 EXTRA FOR 3D (PG) (225 440) 650 905
30 DAYS OF NIGHT (R) - ID REQ'D (220 520) 810
TYLER PERRY'S: WHY DID I GET MARRIED? (PG-13) (1250 150 350 450) 650 750 950
THE COMEBACKS (PG-13) (205) 645
OC & DA: THE COMEBACKS (PG-13) (425) 910
RENDITION (R) - ID REQ'D (340) 640 940
ELIZABETH: THE GOLDEN AGE (PG-13) (110) 710
WE OWN THE NIGHT (R) - ID REQ'D (235 525) 820
MICHAEL CLAYTON (R) - ID REQ'D (120 420) 720 1020
THE GAME PLAN (PG) (100 345) 630 915
THE KINGDOM (R) - ID REQ'D (1245 355) 635 920

COUNTRYSIDE STADIUM 20
45980 Regal Plaza — 800-FANDANGO 394#

Adv. Tix on Sale BEE MOVIE (PG) ★
Adv. Tix on Sale AMERICAN GANGSTER (R) - ID REQ'D ★
Adv. Tix on Sale FRED CLAUS (PG) ★
DAN IN REAL LIFE (PG-13) (1140 1240 200 300 440 540) 720 820 1000
BELLA (PG-13) (130 400) 700 930
SAW IV (R) - ID REQ'D (1150 1250 220 320 500 550) 740 840 1020
OC & DA: THE COMEBACKS (PG-13) (310) 1030
THINGS WE LOST IN THE FIRE (R) - ID REQ'D 950 PM
THE COMEBACKS (PG-13) (1230 545) 810
GONE BABY GONE (R) - ID REQ'D (1155 230 510) 745 1035
NIGHTMARE BEFORE CHRISTMAS 3D - $2.50 EXTRA FOR 3D (PG) (1145 140 410) 650 900
30 DAYS OF NIGHT (R) - ID REQ'D (1210 250 530) 800 1035
RENDITION (R) - ID REQ'D (120 420) 710 1010
LARS AND THE REAL GIRL (PG-13) (1135 210 450) 730 955
TYLER PERRY'S: WHY DID I GET MARRIED? (PG-13) (100 340) 635 945
WE OWN THE NIGHT (R) - ID REQ'D (150 445) 735 1025
MICHAEL CLAYTON (R) - ID REQ'D (145 430) 725 1015
THE HEARTBREAK KID (R) - ID REQ'D (115 415) 715
DARJEELING LIMITED (R) - ID REQ'D (1245 345) 640 910
THE GAME PLAN (PG) (110 350) 630 920
THE KINGDOM (R) - ID REQ'D (1200 240 520) 750 1030
INTO THE WILD (R) - ID REQ'D (1220 330) 645 1005
ACROSS THE UNIVERSE (PG-13) (1215 315) 625 940

ROCKVILLE CENTER STADIUM 13
Rockville Town Center — 800-FANDANGO 248#

Adv. Tix on Sale BEE MOVIE (PG) ★
Adv. Tix on Sale AMERICAN GANGSTER (R) - ID REQ'D ★
Adv. Tix on Sale FRED CLAUS (PG) ★
SAW IV (R) - ID REQ'D (1245 130 300 430 530) 730 815 1000
DAN IN REAL LIFE (PG-13) (1230 250 515) 745 1015
NIGHTMARE BEFORE CHRISTMAS 3D - $2.50 EXTRA FOR 3D (PG) (1245 255 500) 715 925
GONE BABY GONE (R) - ID REQ'D (115 415) 715 950
30 DAYS OF NIGHT (R) - ID REQ'D (200 500) 800 1035
RENDITION (R) - ID REQ'D (100 415) 705 1000
THINGS WE LOST IN THE FIRE (R) - ID REQ'D (115) 935
THE COMEBACKS (PG-13) (1230 245 500) 720 930
THE GAME PLAN (PG) (130 400) 645 925
WE OWN THE NIGHT (R) - ID REQ'D (145 445) 745 1030
MICHAEL CLAYTON (R) - ID REQ'D (130 430) 730 1015
THE KINGDOM (R) - ID REQ'D (430) 700
TYLER PERRY'S: WHY DID I GET MARRIED? (PG-13) (100 400) 700 945

FAIRFAX TOWNE CENTER 10
4110 W Ox Road — 800-FANDANGO 670#

Adv. Tix on Sale AMERICAN GANGSTER (R) - ID REQ'D ★
LARS AND THE REAL GIRL (PG-13) (100 345) 720 945
GONE BABY GONE (R) - ID REQ'D (125 440) 725 1010
GAME PLAN - DIGITAL (PG) (200 435) 730 1000
THE GAME PLAN (PG) (120 355) 650 920
INTO THE WILD (R) - ID REQ'D (105 420) 750
THE COMEBACKS (PG-13) (145 400) 740 955
HALLOWEEN (R) - ID REQ'D (130 430) 735 1005
THE HEARTBREAK KID (R) - ID REQ'D (110 350) 645 930
DARJEELING LIMITED (R) - ID REQ'D (150 415) 710 950
THE JANE AUSTEN BOOK CLUB (PG-13) (140) 700
THINGS WE LOST IN THE FIRE (R) - ID REQ'D (410) 940

GERMANTOWN STADIUM 14
20000 Century Blvd — 800-FANDANGO 455#

Adv. Tix on Sale BEE MOVIE (PG) ★
Adv. Tix on Sale AMERICAN GANGSTER (R) - ID REQ'D ★
Adv. Tix on Sale FRED CLAUS (PG) ★
SAW IV (R) - ID REQ'D (100 200 400 500) 715 800 1000 1045
DAN IN REAL LIFE (PG-13) (130 430) 730 1015
30 DAYS OF NIGHT (R) - ID REQ'D (145 445) 745 1030
RENDITION (R) - ID REQ'D (110 420) 730 1030
THE COMEBACKS (PG-13) (130) 745
OC & DA: THE COMEBACKS (PG-13) (430) 1020
THINGS WE LOST IN THE FIRE (R) - ID REQ'D (115) 950
GONE BABY GONE (R) - ID REQ'D (120 410) 700 1000
TYLER PERRY'S: WHY DID I GET MARRIED? (PG-13) (115 200 415 500) 715 800 1015 1045
ELIZABETH: THE GOLDEN AGE (PG-13) (110) 950
WE OWN THE NIGHT (R) - ID REQ'D (140 440) 740 1040
MICHAEL CLAYTON (R) - ID REQ'D (145 445) 750 1040
THE HEARTBREAK KID (R) - ID REQ'D (410) 700
THE GAME PLAN (PG) (100 400) 645 945
THE KINGDOM (R) - ID REQ'D (415) 720

UA SNOWDEN SQ STADIUM 14
9161 Commerce Ctr Dr — 800-FANDANGO 570#

Adv. Tix on Sale BEE MOVIE (PG) ★
Adv. Tix on Sale AMERICAN GANGSTER (R) - ID REQ'D ★
Adv. Tix on Sale FRED CLAUS (PG) ★
DAN IN REAL LIFE (PG-13) (200 445) 730 1010
SAW IV (R) - ID REQ'D (215 500) 745 1015
THINGS WE LOST IN THE FIRE (R) - ID REQ'D 915 PM
THE COMEBACKS (PG-13) (230 515) 800 1030
GONE BABY GONE (R) - ID REQ'D (145 430) 715 1000
30 DAYS OF NIGHT (R) - ID REQ'D (215 500) 745 1025
RENDITION (R) - ID REQ'D (115 400) 645 930
TYLER PERRY'S: WHY DID I GET MARRIED? (PG-13) (100 200 345 445) 630 730 1020
ELIZABETH: THE GOLDEN AGE (PG-13) (130 410) 645 930
WE OWN THE NIGHT (R) - ID REQ'D (130) 700
MICHAEL CLAYTON (R) - ID REQ'D (115 400) 715 1000
DARJEELING LIMITED (R) - ID REQ'D (230 515) 805 1030
THE GAME PLAN (PG) (145 430) 700 945
INTO THE WILD (R) - ID REQ'D (100 415) 800
OC: WE OWN THE NIGHT (R) - ID REQ'D (415) 945

MANASSAS STADIUM 14
11380 Bulloch Drive — 800-FANDANGO 490#

Adv. Tix on Sale BEE MOVIE (PG) ★
Adv. Tix on Sale AMERICAN GANGSTER (R) - ID REQ'D ★
Adv. Tix on Sale FRED CLAUS (PG) ★
SAW IV (R) - ID REQ'D (1200 105 230 340 450) 710 745 935 1015
DAN IN REAL LIFE (PG-13) (1250 330) 730 1000
THINGS WE LOST IN THE FIRE (R) - ID REQ'D (345) 940
THE COMEBACKS (PG-13) (1205 220 435) 755 1010
GONE BABY GONE (R) - ID REQ'D (115 415) 735 1020
NIGHTMARE BEFORE CHRISTMAS 3D - $2.50 EXTRA FOR 3D (PG) (1225 240 445) 750 950
30 DAYS OF NIGHT (R) - ID REQ'D (110 400) 645 925
RENDITION (R) - ID REQ'D (1210 300) 725 1010
ELIZABETH: THE GOLDEN AGE (PG-13) (120 410) 650 945
TYLER PERRY'S: WHY DID I GET MARRIED? (PG-13) (1255 350) 720 1005
WE OWN THE NIGHT (R) - ID REQ'D (1220 305) 650 930
MICHAEL CLAYTON (R) - ID REQ'D (1230 320) 705 955
THE HEARTBREAK KID (R) - ID REQ'D (1230) 700
THE GAME PLAN (PG) (1240 315) 640 920

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DAN IN REAL LIFE (PG13) ✓ 2:00, 4:40, 7:40, 10:40
MR. UNTOUCHABLE (R) 2:35, 5:15, 7:45, 10:00
SAW IV (R) ✓ 1:40, 2:20, 3:20, 4:20, 5:00, 6:00, 7:20, 8:00, 9:00, 10:00, 10:35
30 DAYS OF NIGHT (R) 2:30, 5:20, 8:20
THE COMEBACKS (PG13) 2:45, 5:25, 7:55, 10:25
RENDITION (R) 1:50, 4:50, 7:50, 10:45
THINGS WE LOST IN THE FIRE (R) 2:05, 8:05
TIM BURTON'S THE NIGHTMARE BEFORE CHRISTMAS IN DISNEY DIGITAL 3D (PG) 1:05, 3:00, 5:30, 7:35, 9:40
ELIZABETH: THE GOLDEN AGE (PG13) 3:10, 8:50
MICHAEL CLAYTON (R) 3:05, 5:55, 8:45
TYLER PERRY'S WHY DID I GET MARRIED? (PG13) 1:00, 2:40, 4:00, 5:40, 7:00, 8:40, 10:20
WE OWN THE NIGHT (R) 1:20, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30
WE OWN THE NIGHT (R) [D] [CC] 1:20, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30
THE HEARTBREAK KID (R) 5:05
THE KINGDOM (R) 2:50, 5:50, 8:30
RESIDENT EVIL: EXTINCTION (R) 6:10

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BELLA (PG13) 1:10, 3:50, 7:10, 9:50
THE DARJEELING LIMITED (R) 1:25, 4:05, 7:00, 9:30
LARS AND THE REAL GIRL (PG13) ✓ 2:10, 5:10, 8:10, 10:45
GONE BABY GONE (R) 1:30, 4:10, 7:05, 10:05
INTO THE WILD (R) 2:55, 6:20, 9:45

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SAW IV (R) ✓ 3:10, 5:30, 8:20
THE COMEBACKS (PG13) 3:00, 5:15
THINGS WE LOST IN THE FIRE (R) 2:00, 7:00
ELIZABETH: THE GOLDEN AGE (PG13) 2:30, 5:10, 7:50
WE OWN THE NIGHT (R) 2:40, 5:20, 8:00
THE HEARTBREAK KID (R) 4:30

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THE DARJEELING LIMITED (R) 3:40, 5:45, 8:10
GONE BABY GONE (R) 2:20, 4:50, 7:30
EASTERN PROMISES (R) 2:10, 4:40, 7:10

MAGIC JOHNSON CAPITAL CENTRE 12
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SAW IV (R) 12:10, 1:00, 2:30, 3:45, 4:45, 6:05, 7:00, 8:45, 9:45
30 DAYS OF NIGHT (R) 1:25, 4:25, 7:25, 10:15
THE COMEBACKS (PG13) 12:35, 3:05, 5:20, 8:05, 10:15
RENDITION (R) 12:55, 3:55, 6:55, 9:55
THINGS WE LOST IN THE FIRE (R) 1:30, 4:10, 7:10, 10:05
MICHAEL CLAYTON (R) 5:15
TYLER PERRY'S WHY DID I GET MARRIED? (PG13) 12:30, 1:15, 3:30, 4:15, 6:30, 7:15, 9:15, 10:15
WE OWN THE NIGHT (R) 1:20, 4:20, 7:20, 10:20
FEEL THE NOISE (PG13) 12:25, 3:00, 8:00, 10:20
THE GAME PLAN (PG) 12:05, 2:35, 5:05, 7:30, 10:00
THE KINGDOM (R) 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:40, 10:10

LOEWS SHIRLINGTON 7
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O JERUSALEM (R) 2:00, 5:00, 8:00

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MUSIC WITHIN (R) 2:10, 4:30, 7:30
THE DARJEELING LIMITED (R) 1:40, 4:20, 7:20
LARS AND THE REAL GIRL (PG13) 1:40, 4:10, 7:10
INTO THE WILD (R) 1:50, 4:50, 7:50
SLEUTH (R) 2:20, 4:40, 7:40
LUST, CAUTION (NC-17) 1:30, 4:40, 7:40

LOEWS WHITE FLINT 5
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RENDITION (R) 1:45, 4:30, 7:15
ELIZABETH: THE GOLDEN AGE (PG13) 2:00, 4:35, 7:15
MICHAEL CLAYTON (R) 1:40, 4:15, 7:00
WE OWN THE NIGHT (R) 1:50, 4:25, 7:05
THE KINGDOM (R) 1:55, 4:20, 7:05

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DIGITAL 3D

TIM BURTON'S THE NIGHTMARE BEFORE CHRISTMAS IN DISNEY DIGITAL 3D (PG) 1:55, 4:00, 6:05, 8:10, 10:15

DAN IN REAL LIFE (PG13) 2:20, 4:50, 7:20, 9:50
SAW IV (R) 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:35
30 DAYS OF NIGHT (R) 1:35, 4:25, 7:10, 9:55
THE COMEBACKS (PG13) 1:05, 3:15, 5:30, 7:45, 10:00
THE COMEBACKS (PG13) [D] [CC] 1:05, 3:15, 5:30, 7:45, 10:00
RENDITION (R) 1:45, 4:30, 7:30, 10:10
THINGS WE LOST IN THE FIRE (R) 2:15
ELIZABETH: THE GOLDEN AGE (PG13) 5:00
MICHAEL CLAYTON (R) 1:20, 4:05, 6:50, 9:40
TYLER PERRY'S WHY DID I GET MARRIED? (PG13) 1:10, 3:55, 6:40, 9:25
WE OWN THE NIGHT (R) 1:25, 4:10, 6:55, 9:30
THE HEARTBREAK KID (R) 1:30, 4:15
THE GAME PLAN (PG) 1:15, 3:50, 6:30, 9:05

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GONE BABY GONE (R) 1:00, 3:45, 6:35, 9:20
ACROSS THE UNIVERSE (PG13) 3:10, 6:10, 9:10

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SAW IV (R) ✓ 2:00, 4:20, 7:05, 9:30
30 DAYS OF NIGHT (R) 1:45, 4:30, 7:10
THE COMEBACKS (PG13) 5:30, 7:30
RENDITION (R) 4:30, 7:15
MICHAEL CLAYTON (R) 4:40, 7:45
TYLER PERRY'S WHY DID I GET MARRIED? (PG13) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00
WE OWN THE NIGHT (R) 5:00, 7:40
THE HEARTBREAK KID (R) 4:50, 7:30
THE GAME PLAN (PG) 4:35, 7:10

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DIGITAL 3D

TIM BURTON'S THE NIGHTMARE BEFORE CHRISTMAS IN DISNEY DIGITAL 3D (PG) 1:15, 3:25, 5:30, 7:45, 9:55

DAN IN REAL LIFE (PG13) ✓ 1:45, 4:10, 6:40, 9:10
SAW IV (R) ✓ 1:50, 4:20, 7:00, 9:35
30 DAYS OF NIGHT (R) 2:20, 5:00, 7:50, 10:30
THE COMEBACKS (PG13) 2:10, 4:35, 7:10, 9:40
RENDITION (R) 1:30, 4:25, 7:15, 10:05
THINGS WE LOST IN THE FIRE (R) 1:40
ELIZABETH: THE GOLDEN AGE (PG13) 4:50
MICHAEL CLAYTON (R) 1:50, 4:45, 7:30, 10:20
TYLER PERRY'S WHY DID I GET MARRIED? (PG13) 1:35, 4:20, 7:05, 9:50
WE OWN THE NIGHT (R) 2:00, 4:50, 7:40, 10:25
WE OWN THE NIGHT (R) [D] [CC] 2:00, 4:50, 7:40, 10:25
THE HEARTBREAK KID (R) 7:40, 10:25
THE GAME PLAN (PG) 2:25, 5:10, 7:55, 10:30
THE KINGDOM (R) 2:05, 4:55, 7:35, 10:15

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BELLA (PG13) 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30
THE DARJEELING LIMITED (R) 1:20, 4:15, 7:20, 9:45
LARS AND THE REAL GIRL (PG13) ✓ 1:25, 4:05, 6:50, 9:25
GONE BABY GONE (R) 1:55, 4:40, 7:25, 10:10
INTO THE WILD (R) 3:15, 6:30, 10:00
ACROSS THE UNIVERSE (PG13) 3:00, 6:20, 9:20

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DIGITAL 3D

TIM BURTON'S THE NIGHTMARE BEFORE CHRISTMAS IN DISNEY DIGITAL 3D (PG) 1:45, 3:50, 6:00, 8:05, 10:05

DAN IN REAL LIFE (PG13) ✓ 2:15, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45
SAW IV (R) ✓ 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30
THE COMEBACKS (PG13) 1:20, 3:35, 5:50, 8:15, 10:25
RENDITION (R) 1:55, 4:50, 7:40, 10:20
THINGS WE LOST IN THE FIRE (R) 1:15
ELIZABETH: THE GOLDEN AGE (PG13) 2:25, 5:00, 7:35
MICHAEL CLAYTON (R) 2:05, 4:55, 7:45, 10:30
TYLER PERRY'S WHY DID I GET MARRIED? (PG13) 4:00, 6:45, 9:35
WE OWN THE NIGHT (R) 2:20, 5:05, 7:50, 10:25
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THE HEARTBREAK KID (R) 10:20 PM
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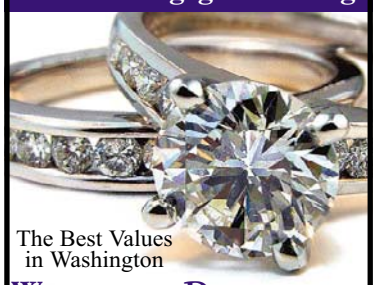

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TheScene

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tra, Andrew Litton, conductor, André Watts, pianist, 4 p.m., $28-$56.

Iota: Paper Route, Dear Dear, 8:30 p.m., $10.

Lisner Auditorium: Caetano Veloso, 7 p.m., $30-$75.

Jammin' Java: Driving East, an Angle, the Bigger Lights, 7 p.m., $10.

Jaxx: Creature Feature, As Kingdoms Fall, Back to Exile, Dear Mistress, Tonight's Attire, Temporary Basement, Sing Me Insomnia, 3 p.m., $12 ($10 in advance).

Kennedy Center: NSO Children's Concert with Iván Fischer, 2 & 4 p.m., sold out.

9:30 Club: Keller Williams and the WMDs, 7:30 p.m., $25.

The Red & the Black: Collider, Just Like Me, the Break Mission, 9 p.m., $8.

Rock and Roll Hotel: The Black Angels, Spindrift, Tone, 8 p.m., $14 ($12 in advance).

Velvet Lounge: Neptune, the Amoeba Men, Paul Joyner Band, 9 p.m., $10.

Westminster Presbyterian Church: Gay Men's Chorus of Washington D.C., 3 p.m., $20-$35.

Wolf Trap: Steve Forbert & the Soundbenders, 7:30 p.m., $22.

Zanzibar: "Day Fete" and "Lime," free before 9 p.m., $10 after.

Sight

AAAS Gallery: "Fiber Artists," features works combining fiber weaving with math and computer science, through Nov. 16. 1200 New York Ave. NW; 202-333-4817, fiberartists.org.

The Alexandria Black History Museum: "God Has Made a Way in Leesburg," the photographs of Allen D. Carter, through Jan. 20. 902 Wythe St., Alexandria; 703-838-4356, alexblackhistory.org.

LAST CHANCE American Art Museum and National Portrait Gallery: "Earl Cunningham's America," 50 selected paintings of Cunningham's 400 folk modern pieces, through Sun. "Por-

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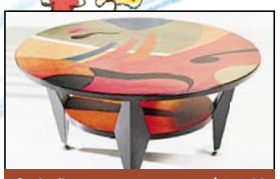
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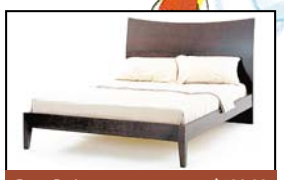
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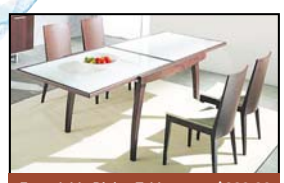
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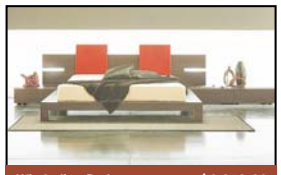
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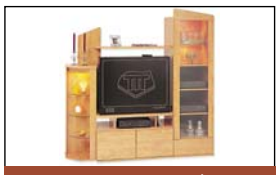
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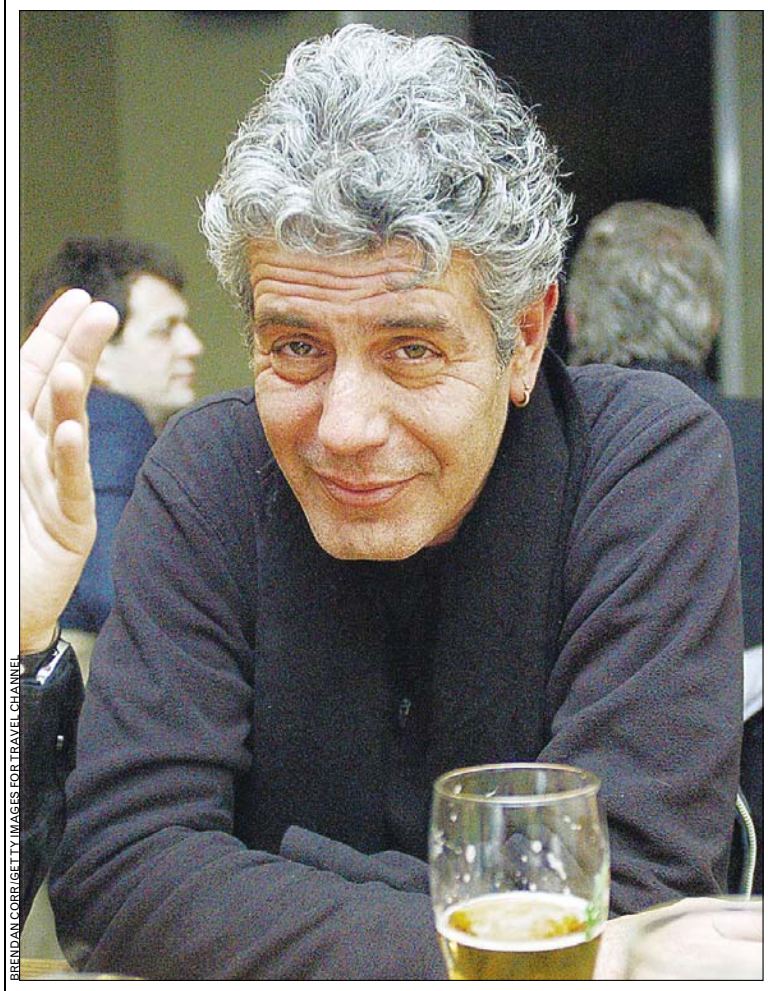
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GENTLEMEN, START YOUR WOKS: Anthony Bourdain and local celebu-chef Jose Andres host as chefs go spatula-to-spatula in the Capital Food Fight.

Eating Around

CHEF SNACKDOWN

Food Fight Fights Hunger

Celebrity chef Anthony Bourdain joins Jose Andres on Tuesday night to host this year's Capital Food Fight. Snack ringside from the offerings of 45 restaurants as local chefs R.J. Cooper of Vidalia, Barton Seaver of Hook, Cathal Armstrong of Restaurant Eve and Bryan Voltaggio of Charlie Palmer Steak duke it out to win this year's food fight. The $175 ticket price is donated to D.C. Central Kitchen.

MELISSA MCCART (EXPRESS)

→ *Ronald Reagan Building, 1300 Pennsylvania Ave. NW; Nov., 6, 6-9 p.m., capitalfoodfight.org. (Archives-Navy Memorial)*

NEW BITES

Picnic at the Park

This week marks the opening of the Park on 14th Street, where art and nature are a part of the scene. Funkadelic glass chandeliers by Dale Chihuly are focal points in each atrium, while the top-floor lounges offer treetop views of the surrounding area. Dinner items include classics such as short ribs and artisanal grilled cheese, while bar menu items showcase drinks made from fresh ingredients, as well as a fleet of single-malt scotches and small-batch bourbons. (MM)

→ *The Park, 920 14th St. NW; 202-737-7275. (McPherson Square)*

DELICIOUS TRIBUTE

Raise a Glass to Gaye

Marvin on 14th Street pays homage to Marvin Gaye — and his early '80s Belgian sojourn — with Motown on the walls and on the stereo, and moules-frites on the menu.

Sample an assortment of Belgian brews on the ground level, in the upstairs lounge, or on the deck in the waning days of balmy weather. (MM)

→ *Marvin, 2007 14th St. NW; 202-797-7171. (U St.-Cardozo)*

WHAT'S EATING YOU?

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BLOOMSBURY USA

The annual Oyster Riot brings out the convivial in people, says Tom Meyer of Clyde's Restaurant Group: "People really party."

Sweet and Salty

A new book about oysters sparks a taste for the bivalves

SHELLING OUT | Diners who crave oysters are "the experimenters, the explorers, the risk-takers, the people who want to know the world and all the things it has to offer," writes Rowan Jacobsen, author of "The Geography of Oysters: The Connoisseur's Guide to Eating Oysters in America."

The man credited with having brought oysters to Old Ebbitt Grill back in the mid '80s and a founder of the Oyster Riot, executive vice president of Clyde's Restaurant Group Tom Meyer agrees. "People who eat oysters enjoy food and wine; they're passionate and they're willing to experiment."

Some eaters fear they'll fall ill from eating oysters, but many local restaurants such as Old Ebbitt have suppliers send weekly shipments to labs for testing to maintain consumer confidence — and health. "We've eliminated the iffy nature of eating them," Meyer said.

The rule that oysters should be consumed in months ending in "R" wasn't established for the safety of people but to protect the critters, said Jacobsen — spring and summer are when oysters spawn. The prevalence of oyster farming and overnight mail from cold-water farms has mitigated its relevance.

Farming has also allowed for the creation of the non-spawning triploid oyster, which means eating oysters year round won't deplete the population or affect the taste.

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Still, there's something to be said for waiting for the "R" months."New England oysters in November taste totally different than those pulled from waters in August," said Jacobsen. "In November, oysters taste firm, salty, minerally, clean. They can taste like a bag of seawater in August."

At peak, what's the difference in flavor between oysters? Among the five species — which Jacobsen describes as firm and briny Easterns; sweet, herbal Pacifics; melony Kumamotos; metallic, nutty European flats; and smoky Olympias— there's significant variation largely due to where they're grown.

During the fall and winter months in this region, "butter and brine" Island Creeks from Massachusetts, Moonstones from Rhode Island and other variations of the Eastern species are king, particularly since they're easy to get. Since it has been so warm, some, such as the clean Raspberry Points and the well-balanced Malpeques harken from cold, Canadian waters.

And what about oysters' libido-enhancing powers? Clearly, they have some kind of effect. "There's something about the eating of oysters that creates a convivial environment," said Meyer.

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traiture Now: Framing Memory," portraits of iconic figures, including Martin Luther King Jr., Frida Kahlo, Jacqueline Kennedy, Cesar Chavez and Josephine Baker, through Jan. 6. "Celebrating the Lucelia Artist Award" features the work of artists who have won the award since 2000, through June 22. 8th & F streets NW; 202-633-1000, americanart.si.edu, npg.si.edu.

Anacostia Community Museum: "East of the River: Continuity and Change" focuses on the history and development of Washington's far Southeast communities, through Nov. 9. 1901 Fort Place SE; 202-633-4820, corcoran.si.edu.

Ann Loeb Bronfman Gallery: "Reconciling Worlds: The Work of Soviet Artist Yefim Ladyzhensky," through Dec. 30. 1529, 16th St. NW; 202-518-9400, washingtondcjcc.org.

Archives of American Art: "Sketchbooks from the Archives of American Art," more than 1,000 sketchbooks by prominent artists, through Jan. 6. 750 9th St. NW Suite 2200; 202-633-7940, aaa.si.edu.

Arthur M. Sackler Gallery: "The Potter's Mark: Tea Ceramics and Their Makers," through Feb. 22. "Japanese Arts of the Edo Period 1615–1868," paintings, lacquer and ceramics, through Feb. 22. 1050 Independence Ave. SW; 202-633-1000, asia.si.edu.

Arlington Arts Center: "Fall Solos," features works from Mid-Atlantic artists, through Nov. 17. "The 0 Project," a 300-foot-long banner based on the work of Rosemary Feit Covey, through March 1. 3550 Wilson Blvd., Arlington; 703-248-6800, arlingtonartscenter.org.

Art Institute of Washington: Rhythmic Textures: Paintings and drawings by George Sordoni and Novel Yi, through Nov. 30, 1920 N. Fort Myer Drive, Arlington; 703-247-6885, artinstitutes.edu.

Australian Embassy: "Leisureland," a collection of photographs from Australia by Anne Zahalka, through Nov. 23. 1601 Massachusetts Ave. NW; 202-797-3000, austemb.org.

Civilian Art Projects: "Waves," a mixed-media, group exhibition featuring art relating to waves and other subjects, through Dec. 15. "Matthew Spahr: Big Guns, Hollow Shields and Other Buoyant Desires," explores masculinity through surf culture and the like. 406 7th St. NW; 202-347-0022, civilianartsproject.com.

Corcoran Gallery of Art: "Annie Leibovitz: A Photographer's Life, 1990-2005," an exhibit featuring some of Leibovitz's most famous photos, as well as personal photographs, through Jan. 12. "Ansel Adams," an exhibition of 125 photographs from Adams' Lane Collection, through Jan. 27. "Impressionism, Realism, Modernism: Works on Paper From the American Collection," more than 50 etchings, watercolors, drawings, lithographs and pastels, through Nov. 11. "Treasures of Decorative European Art and Sculpting" ongoing. 500 17th St. NW; 202-639-1700, orcoran.org.

Cross Mackenzie Ceramic Arts: "Moieties," clay and mixed-media sculptures, through Nov. 15. 1054 31st St. NW; 202-333-7970, crossmackenzie.com

LAST CHANCE D.C. Arts Center: "Herb's Choice," Skyscape paintings by Manon Cleary, through Sun. "Self Accusation," two actors perform Peter Handke's text, Fri. and Sat. only, through Dec. 1. 2438 18th St. NW; 202-462-7833, dcartscenter.org.

District Fine Arts: "Hit Me With Music!," music-related paintings, photographs and sculptures, through Dec. 8. 1639 Wisconsin Ave. NW; 202-333-3545, dfaonline.com.

Dragonfly Design Décor: "Showcasing Vietnamese Art," five Vietnamese artists exhibit their photography and paintings, through Nov. 30. 1457 Church St. NW; 202-265-3359, dragonflydd.com.

Flashpoint: "Evade, Elude, Escape," symbolic prints relating to isolation and fear, through Nov. 17. 916 G St. NW; 202-315-1310, flashpointdc.org.

Foundry Gallery: "Acrylic Abstract Exhibit," featuring abstract art by Donna K. McGee. "Transition," oil landscapes and abstract acrylic by Kathryn Wiley, both through Dec. 2. 1314 18th St.NW; 202-463-0203, foundrygallery.org.

Folger Shakespeare Library: "Marketing Shakespeare: The Boydell Gallery and Beyond" explores the birth of the Shakespeare market in England with works col-

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Old Diversions, New Pleasures

BEFORE THERE WERE movies, there were magic lantern shows, and even in our less-gentle time, Jerry Bruckheimer's explosions have nothing on such charming scenes as "The Rat-Swallower," left. La Maison Française revives the art of the storytelling slide show with a night of 19th-century entertainment. Belgian collector Herman Bollaert shares some of his lushly colored mini-movies — which include domestic, biblical and patriotic scenes, as well as the highly amusing "Rat-Swallower." Experience this antique form of animated art and you'll never sleep with your mouth open again. *La Maison Française, 4101 Reservoir Road NW; Thu., 7 p.m., $20; instantseats.com.* ARION BERGER (EXPRESS)

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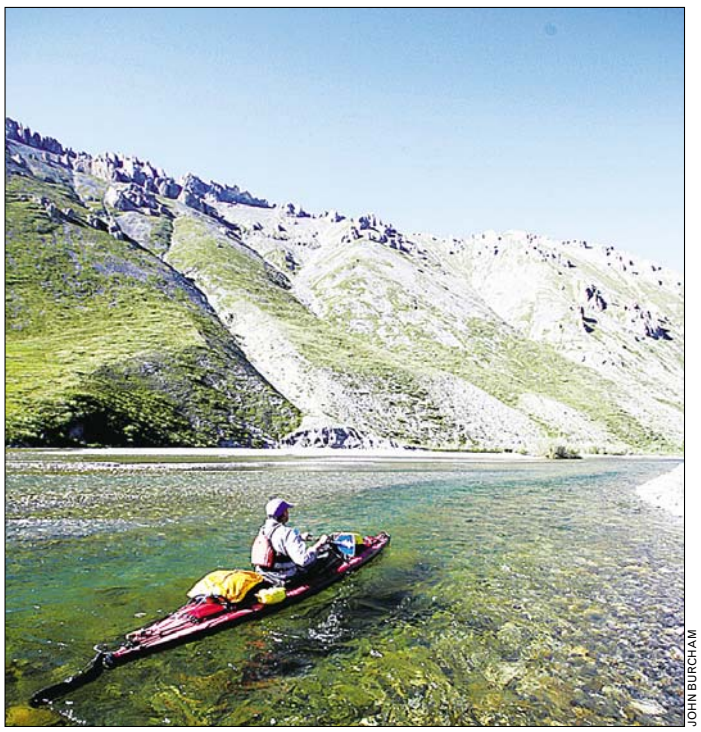

JOHN BURCHAM

PRISTINE WATERS: Take a trip to a so-far unspoiled pocket of America. The National Geographic Museum's photographic exhibit "Journey to the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge," celebrates the 50th anniversary of the 1956 Murie expedition that led to the creation of the refuge.

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LAST CHANCE Fraser Gallery: "Narrative Paintings," featuring paintings by five artists, through Sat; 770 Wisconsin Ave., Bethesda; 301-718-9651, thefrasergallery.com.

LAST CHANCE Freer Gallery of Art: "Parades: Freer Ceramics Installed by Gwyn Hanssen Pigott," through Sun. "Tales of the Brush: Literary Masterpieces in Chinese Painting," the confluence of writing and painting in Chinese culture, through Jan. 13. Jefferson Drive & 12th Street SW; 202-633-4880, asia.si.edu.

LAST CHANCE Gallery Neptune: "Jo' Ma Ma," works by three artists on mixed media, through Sat. 4901 Cordell Ave., Bethesda, Md.; 301-718-0809, galleryneptune.com.

Gallery Plan B: "Photography by John Skwiot, Paintings by Anne Manley," landscape art, through Nov. 18. 1530 14th St. NW; 202-234-2711, galleryplanb.com.

Govinda Gallery: "John and Yoko: A New York Love Story," photographs of the rock Adma and Eve by Allen Tanenbaum, through Nov. 10. 1227 34th St. NW; 202-333-1180, govindagallery.com.

H & F Fine Arts: "Dig," Eight artists show off their work representing the Philadelphia art scene, through Nov. 24. 3311 Rhode Island Ave., Mount Rainier; 301-887-0080, hffinearts.com.

Hemphill Gallery: "Mindless Pleasures," James Huckenpahler's 3-D digital renders. "Furnishing the Self — Upholstering the Soul," David Byrne explores the majesty of the chair through photography, embroidery and sculptures, both through Dec. 22. 1515 14th St. NW; 202-234-5601, hemphillfinearts.com.

Hillyer Art Space: "Beyond the Margins: Selections from Soweto, South Africa" features art by black South Africans depicting their struggle for equality, through Dec. 14. "Which Came First? Drawing Conclusions," glasswork by Kari Minnick, through Dec. 20. 9 Hillyer Court NW; 202-338-0680, artsandartists.org/artspace/.

Hirshhorn Museum: "Morris Louis Now: An American Master Revisited," a concise view of the artist's career, through Jan. 6. Independence Avenue & 7th Street SW; 202-633-4674, hirshhorn.si.edu.

LAST CHANCE Honfleur Gallery: "Americans in Paris," a collection of art by expatriate Americans, through Sat. 1241 Good Hope Road SE; 202-889-5000, honfleurgallery.com.

Irvine Contemporary: "Kahn and Selesnick, Eisbergfreistadt," photographs and installations depicting "Iceberg Free State," through Dec. 8. 1412 14th St. NW; 202-332-8767, irvinecontemporary.com.

Japan Information and Culture Center: "Japanese Traditional Pottery" features modern takes on traditional Japanese style, through Dec. 14. 1155 21st St. NW; 202-238-6949,us.emb-japan.go.jp/jjcc.

Jean Efron Art Consultants: "Paula Crawford," a solo exhibit featuring paintings of varying themes, through Jan. 10. 505 9th St. NW; 202-223-1626, efronart.com.

LAST CHANCE The Jerusalem Fund Gallery: "Fusion," pieces by Kinda Hibrawi, an artist of Syrian descent, that celebrate the romance of the Arabic language, through Fri. 2425 Virginia Ave. NW; 202-338-1958, thejerusalemfund.org/gallery.

Katzen Art Center: "Jules Olitski: Late Sculpture," from the Cyclops series, through Dec. 30. "Sculpture/Architecture," site-specific outdoor sculptures, through Dec. 30. 4400 Mas-

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ANDREA ZITTEL

PRIZE FIGHT: "Celebrating the Lucelia Artist Award, 2001-2006" at the Smithsonian American Art Museum showcases works by winners of this prestigious prize. This year's winner is Jessica Stockholder; past winners include Kara Walker and Andrea Zittel (that's her "A-Z Homestead Office for Lisa Ivorian-Gray" above).

LIVE SOUL | LOVE, THE SECOND TIME AROUND

JATI LINDSAY

SOUL BROTHER NO. 1: Neo-soul star and local hero Raheem Devaughn's solo outing, "The Love Experience," garnered hard-won buzz, and now he takes his silky songs — maybe a new batch, with "Love Behind the Melody" promised for a November release — to Zanzibar on Thursday night.

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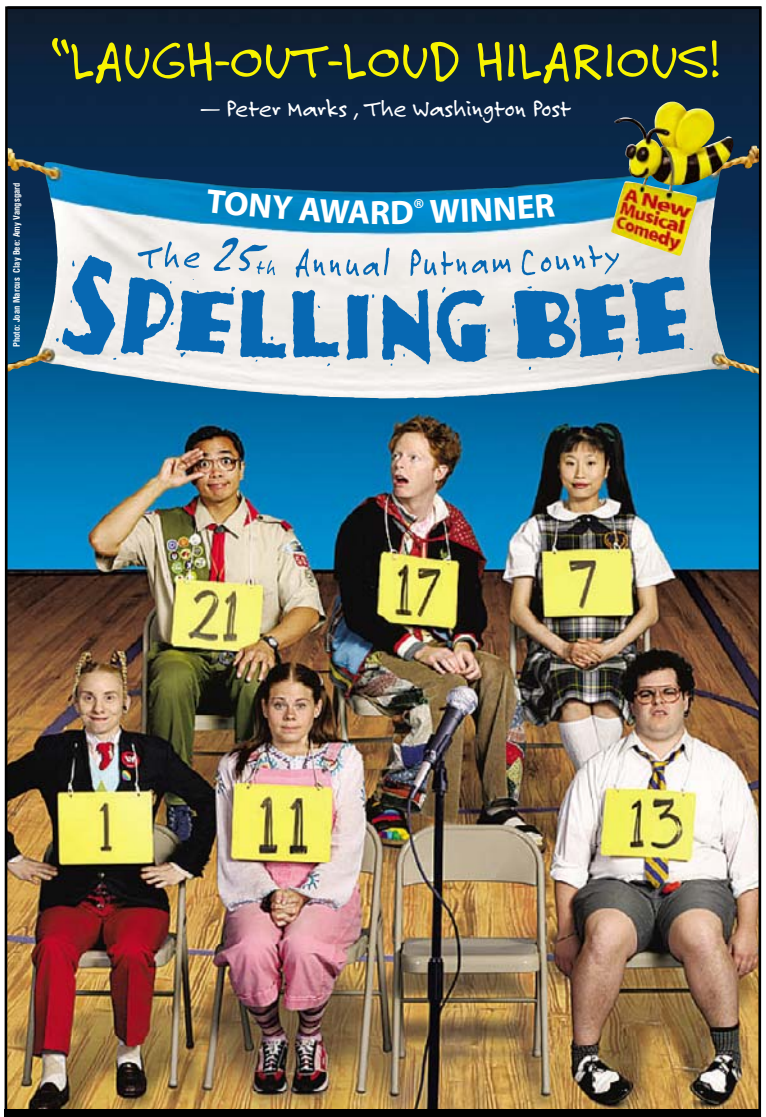

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sachusetts Ave. NW; 202-885-1300, american.edu/katzen.

Kefa Café: "PROPOGANDA!," eight youngsters try to change public opinion through the use of posters and video, through Nov. 12. 963 Bonifant St., Silver Spring; 301-589-9337, space710atkefa.blogspot.com.

Landow Gallery: "Raye Leith, Paintings & Drawings," through Nov. 9. 6101 Wilson Lane, Bethesda; 301-320-3200, rayeleith.smugmug.com.

Long View Gallery: "Weber Fine Art," works on paper by five artists, through Nov. 24. 1302 9th St. NW; 202-232-4788, longviewgallery.com.

Marsha Mateyka Gallery: "William T. Wiley," a solo exhibition of Wiley's acrylic work, through Dec. 22. 2010 R St. NW; 202-328-0088, marhsamateykagallery.com.

Meat Market Gallery: "Anni," hip works using video and drawing. 1636 17th St. NW; 202-328-6328, meatmarketgallery.com

National Academy of Sciences: "Jill Greenberg: Monkey Portraits," through Nov. 25; "Black Maps," photographs by David Maisel, through Dec. 5. 2100 C St. NW; 202-334-2415, nasonline.org.

National Air and Space Museum: "Treasures of American History," many of the National Museum of American History's choicest items — from Dorothy's ruby slippers to Jacqueline Kennedy's inaugural ball gown — find a temporary home, ongoing. 6th Street & Independence Ave., NW; 202-633-1000, nasm.si.edu.

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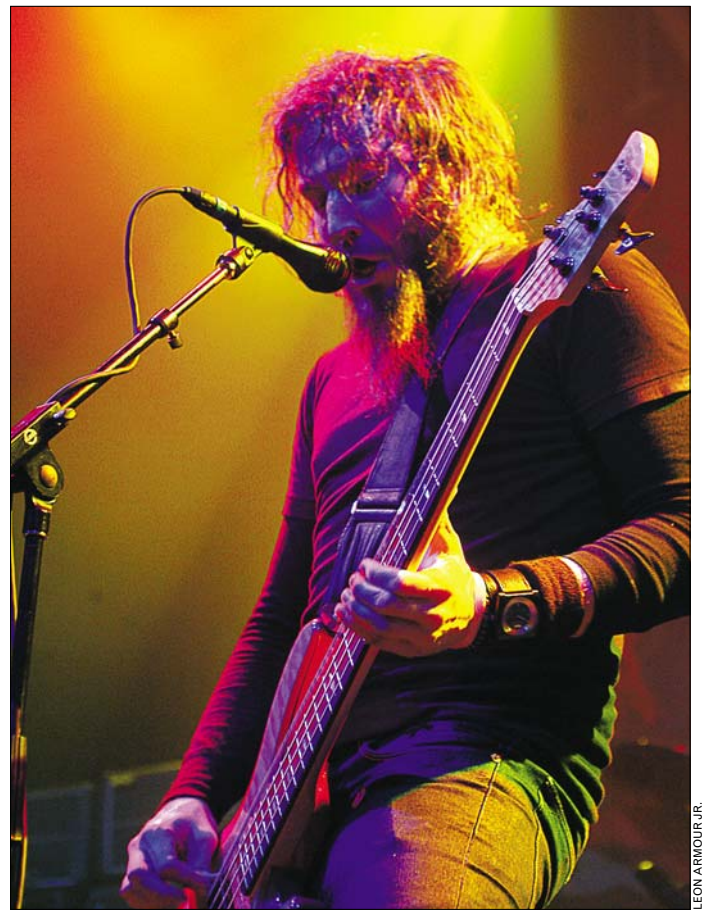

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THE SOUND OF MANY HANDS CLAPPING: District Fine Arts' "Hit Me With Music" takes viewers on a stroll through D.C. rock, with paintings, sculptures and photographs of bands and fans, real and imaginary. Above is Leon Armour Jr.'s resonant image of Mastadon at the 9:30 Club in February.

National Archives: "School House to White House," a family-friendly collection of photos and documents from the childhoods of U.S. presidents, through Jan. 1, 2008. "The Charters of Freedom," "A New World Is at Hand," "The Public Vaults," the Magna Carta and other treasures, ongoing. Constitution Avenue between

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National Building Museum: "Investigating Where We Live," school students' photographs of D.C. neighborhoods, through Nov. 25. "Lasting Foundations: The Art of Architecture in Africa," a survey of African architecture through the ages, through Jan. 20. "David Macaulay: The Art of Drawing Architecture," playful and precise drawings of architecture and engineering, through Jan. 21. "Marcel Breuer: Design and Architecture," explores houses, shapes and volumes, through Feb. 17. 401 F St. NW; 202-272-2448, nbm.org.

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ZOE STRAUSS

EIGHT TO WATCH: Philadelphia art scene — represent! Eight artists show off their work in the group show "Dig" at H&F Fine Arts, including street photographer Zoe Strauss, whose work is above, sculptor Nick Lenker, cut-paper artist Barbara Bullock and literary-inspired artist Kip Deeds.

National Gallery of Art: "The Art of the American Snapshot, 1888-1978: From the Collection of Robert E. Jackson" chronicles the evolution of the photograph through history, through Dec. 31. "J.M.W. Turner," the largest collection of works by the legendary landscape artist in the U.S. "Edward Hopper: An Introduction to the Exhibition," a comprehensive exhibition of Hopper's work, through Jan. 21. "Exceptional Baroque Woodcuts," features work from European baroque artists, through March 30. "Five Decades of Robert Raushenberg Prints," features lithographs, screen-prints and intaglios, through March 30. 600 Constitution Ave. NW; 202-289-3360, nga.gov.

National Geographic Museum: "Journey to the Arctic National Wildlife Ref-

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uge," explore the Artic through photographs and items from the 1956 Murie expedition through the Arctic, through Jan. 27, "Crittercam: The World Through Animal Eyes," a video- and data-gathering tool worn by wild animals offers insights into animal behaviors, through Jan. 8. "Journey to the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge," through Jan. 27. 17th & M streets NW; 202-857-7588.

National Museum of African Art: "Art of Being Tuareg: Sahara Nomads in a Modern World," features jewelry, clothing and leatherwork of the Tuareg people, through Jan. 27. "African Vision: The Walt Disney-Tishman African Art Collection," through Sept. 7, 2008. 950 Independence Ave. SW; 202-633-1000, nmafa.si.edu.

National Museum of the American Indian: "Identity by Design: Tradition, Change and Celebration in Native Women's Dresses," through Jan. 2. 4th Street & Independence Avenue SW; 202-633-6985, nmai.si.edu.

National Museum of Health and Medicine: "Estrogen Tales: The Untold Story of Nine Molecules ... and How They Bonded," find out the molecular makeup of this wonderful female hormone, ongoing. 6900 Georgia Ave. NW, nmhm.washingtondc.museum.

National Museum of Women in the Arts: "WACK! Art and the Feminist Revolution," through Dec. 16. 1250 New York Ave. NW; 202-783-5000, nmwa.org.

National Portrait Gallery: "Legacy: Spain and the United States in the Age of Independence, 1763-1848," portraits and original documents surrounding Spain and the Revolutionary War, through Feb. 10. "One Life: Katharine Hepburn," photographic and painted portraits and Hepburn's four Oscars will be on display, through Oct. 5, 2008. 8th & F streets NW; 202-633-8300, www.npg.si.edu.

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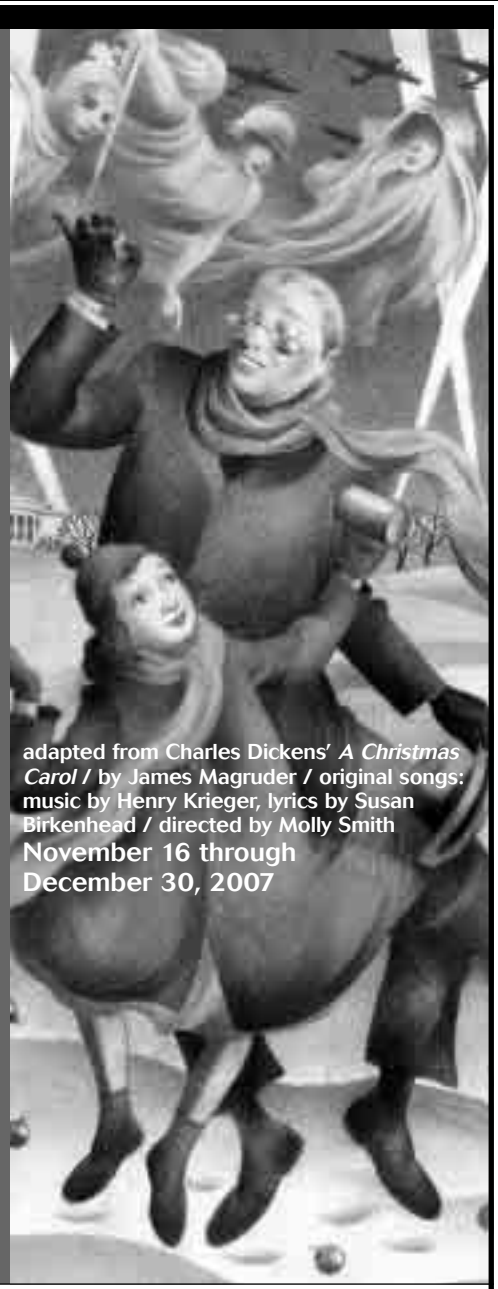

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"H2O: Michal Zaborowski Solo Exhibition," the Polish artists' paintings all have a water theme and big-shouldered heroic style, through Sun. 1517 U St. NW; 202-232-3464, nevinkellygallery.com.

The Phillips Collection: "Contemporary Photographs from the Litchenberg Collection," through Jan. 6. "Impressionists by the Sea," a look at the movement's beachy works, through Jan. 13. 1600 21 St. NW; 202-387-2151, phillipscollection.org.

Photoworks Gallery: "The Other Charleston," a photo documentary of Charleston, W.Va. "833 Mapleton Terrace," photos of ordinary family moments, both through Nov. 18. 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glenn Echo; 301-229-7930, glenechophotoworks.org.

Prada Gallery: "The Other Side of Silence," a solo exhibition featuring paintings by Lisa De Prudhoe, through Dec. 1. 1030 Wisconsin Ave. NW; 202-342-0067, pradagallery.com.

Project 4 Gallery: "This is Forever," botany and entomology paintings by Beau Chamberlain, through Dec 2. 903 U St. NW; 202-232-4340, project4gallery.com.

LAST CHANCE Pyramid Atlantic Art Center: "Primarily Paper: An International Exhibit," features the incorporation of paper into more traditional art. "Frasassi," a multimedia exhibit by Lynn Sures, both through Thu. 8230 Georgia Ave., Silver Spring; 301-608-9101, pyramidatlanticartcenter.org.

Randall Scott Gallery: "Lori Nix: The City," depictions of a post-apocalyptic city, through Dec. 8. "Dane Picard, New Video," through Dec. 8. 1326 14th St. NW; 202-332-0806, randallscottgallery.com.

LAST CHANCE R Street Gallery: "John Blee & Marie Ringwald," landscape paintings by Blee and architectural sculpture by Ringwald, through Sat, 2108 R St. NW; 202-588-1701, rstgallery.com.

Studio Gallery: "Eastern Shore Landscapes," by Cynthia Jawitz, through Nov. 24. 2108 R St. NW; 202-232-8738, studiogallerydc.com.

Target Gallery: "Andrea Ellen Reed: Sweet Struggle," a photographic exhibition on contemporary struggles of African Americans, through Dec. 2. 105 N. Union St., Alexandria; 703-838-4565, torpedofactory.org.

The Textile Museum: "Textiles of Klimt's Vienna," the artistic values of early 20th-century Austria, through Jan. 6. "Ahead of His Time: The Collecting Vision of George Hewitt Myers" explores the collection and preferences of the museum founder, through Jan. 6. "Private Pleasures: Collecting Contemporary Textile Art," the tastes and preferences of Washington collectors, through Feb. 17. 2320 S St. NW; 202-667-0441, textilemuseum.org.

LAST CHANCE Touchstone Gallery: "Lost and Found," portraits by Jean Sheckler Beebe, through Sun. "This Land — Our Land," sculptures and mixed media drawing lie somewhere between 2-D and 3-D, through Sun. "People: New Configurations," Antonia Macedo creates surreal photographs using a film camera, through Sun. 406 7th St. NW; 202-347-2787, touchstonegallery.com.

LAST CHANCE Torpedo Factory Art Center: "Trace Elements," an exhibition featuring Candace Edgerley's fiber works, through Sun. 105 N. Union St., Alexandria; 703-836-5807, torpedofactory.org.

U.S. Botanic Garden: "A Pepper for Every Pot," about new varieties of pepper plants, Plant Exploration room, through Nov. 11. "Green Evolution: Paintings and Drawings by Suzanne Stryk," Stryk's sketchbooks, through Nov. 11. 100 Maryland Ave. SW; 202-225-8333, usbg.gov.

Washington Printmakers Gallery: "Landscapes and Laments" Woodcuts, etchings and sculpture depicting us poor humans contrasted with nature, through Nov. 25. 1732 Connecticut Ave. NW: 202-332-7757, washingtonprintmakers.com.

William W. Parker Gallery: "9x10" features the works of 10 emerging artists who represent the creative diversity of the region, through Nov. 24. 629 New York Ave. NW; 202-639-1737, wpaconline.org.

VSA Arts: "Driven," an exhibition of lively, revealing work by emerging artists with disabilities, through Dec. 31. S. Dillon Ripley Center, 1100 Jefferson Drive SW; 202-628-2800, vsarts.org.

Virginia Center for Architecture: "Richmond's Old & Historic Districts 1957-2007: Celebrating 50 Years of Preserving Our Historical Neighborhoods," showcases preserved properties, through Nov. 17. 2501 Monument Ave., Richmond; 804-644-3041, virginiaarchitecture.org.

LAST CHANCE Zenith Gallery: "Is Seeing Believing?," an exhibition in which artists experiment with angles of view, through Fri. "Whittled With Wit and Whimsy," a satirical collection of sculptures, paintings and papier-maché reclaims the folksy process, through Nov. 25. 413 7th St. NW: 202-783-2963, zenithgallery.com.

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LAST CHANCE A Shayna Maidel: A Jewish family deals with the aftermath of the Holocaust, through Sun.. Howard Community College, 10901 Little Patuxent Parkway, Columbia; 410-772-4900, repstage.org.

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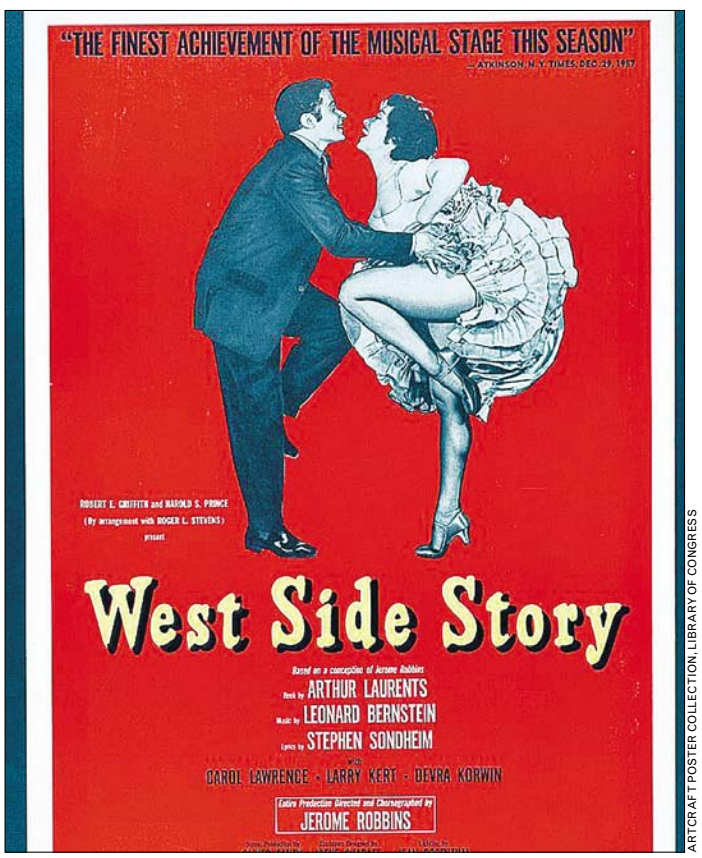

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As You Like It: Shakespeare's leafiest romantic comedy, directed by Derek Goldman, through Nov. 25, $34-$55. Folger Theatre, 201 East Capitol St. SE; 202-544-7077, folger.edu/theatre.

Ambition Facing West: Anthony Clarvoe's tales of parent-child relationships and the lure of opportunity as performed by the Theater Alliance, through Nov. 11, $30. H Street Playhouse, 1365 H St. NE; 866-811-4111, theateralliance.com.

Chaconne: The Suzanne Farrell Ballet presents the myth of Orpheus and Eurydice in this opera ballet, through Nov. 10, $29-$85. Kennedy Center, 2700 F. St. NW; 202-467-4600, kennedy-center.org.

THIS WEEKEND ONLY The City of Lost Dreams: The story of actor Tray Chaney of HBO's "The Wire," as performed by the Drama Dept., $26.50. The ARC Theatre, 1901 Mississippi Ave. SE; 800-595-4849, thecityoflostdreams.com.

Current Nobody: Melissa James Gibson imagines "The Odyssey" if Penelope and Odysseus switched roles, through Nov. 25, $15-$57. Woolly Mammoth Theatre, 641 D St. NW; 202-393-3939, woollymammoth.net

THIS WEEKEND ONLY The 70: DreamCity Theatre Group performs excerpts of this play chronicling a day aboard the 70 Metro bus, free. Carnegie Library, 801 K St. NW; 202-236-3413, historydc.org.

Edward II: Violence! Controversy! Secret gay lovers! Shakespeare Theatre Company's take on Marlowe's play has all the makings of a good soap opera, opens Sat., through Jan 6, $23.50-$79.75. Sidney Harman Hall, 610 F St. NW; 202-547-1122, shakespearetheatre.org.

Feed Me: A starving tiger holds the key to saving mankind in a war- and plague-ravaged future, through Nov. 11, $20. D.C. Arts Center, 2438 18th St. NW; 202-462-7833, feedmeordie.com.

FLOWERS FOR ALGERNON: Landless Theatre Co. explores what happens when a mentally retarded man is given intelligence-enhancing drugs, through Nov. 18, $15. Flashpoint, 916 G St. NW; 301-639-5265, landlesstheatrecompany.org.

The Frog Prince of Spamalot: The Children's Theatre presents the story of Hyronomous A. Frog as he tries to get kissed by a princess, through Nov. 11, $10. Thomas Jefferson Community Theatre, 125 S. Old Glebe Rd, Arlington; 703-548-1154, encorestage.com.

I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change: A musical comedy that looks at the highs and lows of dating, through Feb. 16, $55-$75. Bethesda Theatre, 7719 Wisconsin Ave., Bethesda; 301-657-7827, bethesdatheatre.com.

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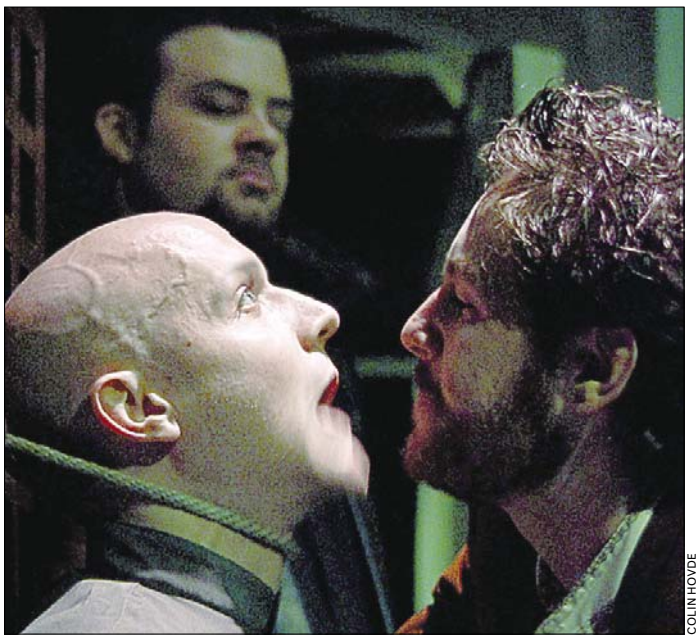

COLIN HOVDE

THE ARTIST AS SPY: The playwright becomes the subject in David Grimm's "Kit Marlowe," currently staged by the Rorschach Theatre. This heated drama picks up on a popular rumor that Elizabethan bad boy Christopher "Kit" Marlowe was recruited as a spy for a sort of farthingale-era MI5.

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TheScene

WBs "MVP2" actor and "Late Night with Conan O'Brien" alum performs stand-up, through Sun., $17. The Improv, 1140 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-296-7008, dcimprov.com.

THIS WEEKEND ONLY The Jungle Book: The musical adaptation of Rudyard Kipling's charming stories, Sat., & Sun., $10-$20. Imagination Stage, 4908 Auburn Ave., Bethesda, Md.; 301-280-1660, imaginationstage.org.

Late Nite Catechism: This one-nun interactive show takes attendees back to (Catholic) school, through Nov. 11, $25-$40. Olney Theatre Center, 2001 Olney-Sandy Spring Road, Olney, Md.; 301-924-3400, olneytheatre.org.

Made in China: Solas Nua company presents Mark O'Rowe's intense story set in a re-imagined, violent Dublin, through Sun., $20. Atlas Performing Arts Center, 1333 H St. NE; 800-494-8497, solasnua.org.

LAST CHANCE My Children! My Africa! Athol Fugard's moving play about a friendship between a black student and a white one in apartheid-era South Africa, through Sun., $27-$55. Studio Theatre, 1501 14th St. NW; 202-232-3300, studiotheatre.org.

No Exit: Scena Theatre mounts Jean-Paul Sartre's ruminations on the afterlife, through Nov. 18, $25-$30. Warehouse Theater, 1021 7th St. NW; 703-683-2824, scenatheatre.org.

LAST CHANCE Nobody's Perfect: Academy Award winning-actress Marlee Matlin's children's book turned into a family musical, through Sat., $18. Kennedy Center, 2700 F. St. NW; 202-467-4600, kennedy-center.org.

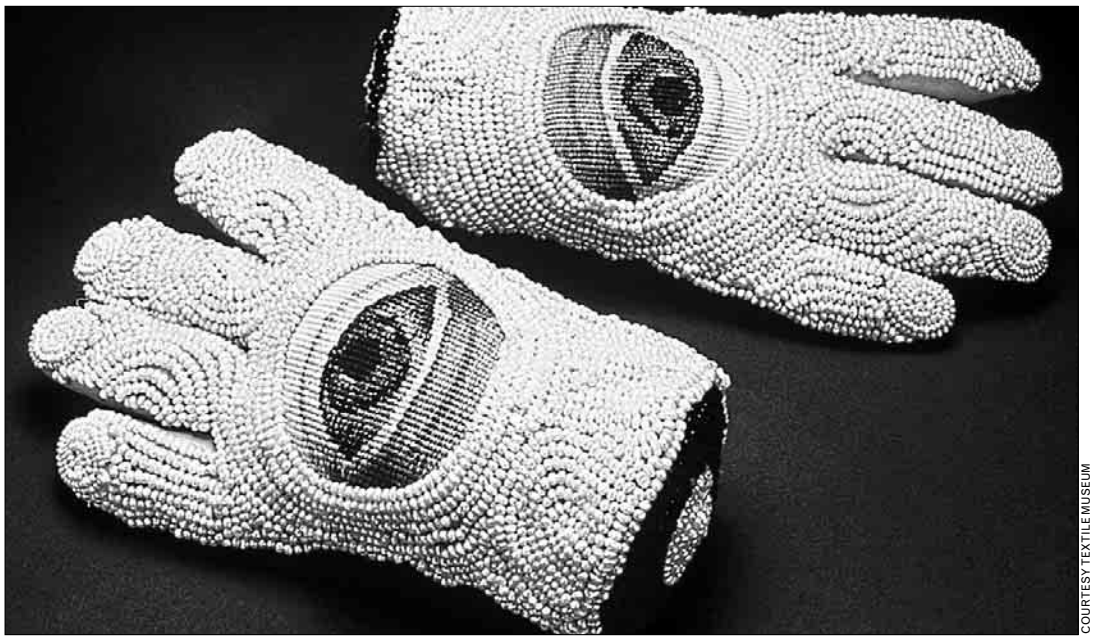
LAST CHANCE Nothing Sacred: George Walker's adaptation of Ivan Turgenev's 1862 novel "Fathers and Sons" as performed by Firebelly Productions, through Sun., $15. Theatre on the Run, 3700 S. Four Mile Run Drive, Arlington; 703-409-2372, firebellyproductions.net.

Now What?: Josh Lefkowitz's observations on life in his solo follow up to Help Wanted, through Nov. 25, $18. Woolly Mammoth Theatre, 641 D St. NW; 202-393-3939, woollymammoth.net

SATURDAY ONLY Philadanco: Philadelphia's premiere dance company performs, 2 & 8 p.m., $10-$20. Atlas Performing Arts Center, 1333 H St. NE; 800-494-8497, atlasarts.org.

Redshirts: A college football star gets caught in a scandal that threatens his career, through Nov. 11, $25-$50. Round House Theatre, 4545 East-West Highway, Bethesda; 240-644-1100, roundhousetheatre.org.

MUSEUMS | BRING ONE HOME TODAY



COURTESY TEXTILE MUSEUM

THE JOYS OF OWNERSHIP: The Textile Museum coaxes treasured items from local collectors in the exhibition "Private Pleasures: Collecting Contemporary Textile Art," which shows how taste helps shape the market for textile pieces.

LAST CHANCE Rashomon: Three men attempt to unravel the mystery of a man's death in medieval Japan in this Meat & Potatoes Theatre presentation, through Sun., $18. Playbill Café, 1409 14th St. NW; 703-587-5730, meatandpotato.org.

THIS WEEKEND ONLY Representa!: A bilingual play that combines hip-hop, poetry, and social commentary, Fri. & Sat., 8 p.m., $20. Gala Theatre, 3333 14th St. NW; 202-234-7174, galatheatre.org.

Speed-the-Plow: Learn how to get your script green-lighted in this Hollywood comedy, through Nov. 25, $40. Theater J, 1529 16th St. NW; 202-777-3210, theaterj.org.

The Taming of the Shrew: The battle of the sexes sizzles in Shakespeare Theatre Company's season opener starring Christopher Innvar and Charlayne Woodard, through Nov. 25, $23.50-$69.50. Lansburgh Theatre, 450 7th St. NW; 202-547-1122, shakespearetheatre.org.

Tamburlaine: Watch as a hero rises from thief to emperor in Christopher Marlowe's play as performed by the Shakespeare Theatre Company, opens Sun., through Jan. 6, $23.50-$79.75. Sidney Harman Hall, 610 F St. NW; 202-547-1122, shakespearetheatre.org.

Tick, Tick ... BOOM: The 1996 Tony and Pulitzer Prize-winning autobiographical story of Jonathan Larson, who wrote "Rent," through Nov. 25, $35-$40. Metro Stage, 1201 North Royal St., Alexandria; 703-548-9044, metrostage.org.

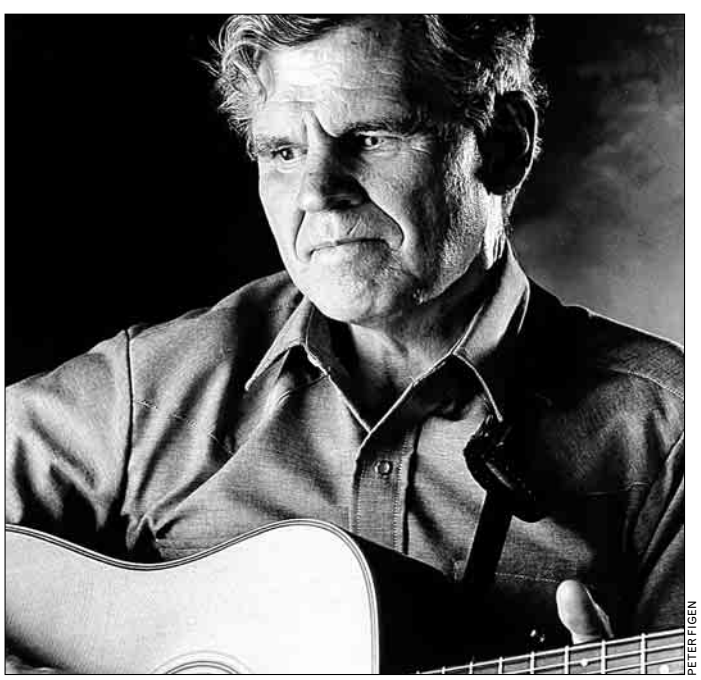
LAST CHANCE The Trial: The Catalyst Theater Company's adaptation of Franz Kafka's novel about bureaucracy and totalitarianism, through Sat., $10. Capitol Hill Arts Workshop, 545 7th St. SE; 202-494-3776, catalysttheater.com.

LAST CHANCE The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee: James Lapine's T-O-N-Y Award-winning musical comedy, through Sun., $41.50-$151.50. The National Theatre, 1321 Pennsylvania Ave. NW; 800-447-7400, nationaltheatre.org.

The Women of Brewster Place: Set in the '70s, this musical chronicles 10 African-American women as they grow up in a decrepit housing complex, through Dec. 9, $55-$74. Arena Stage, 1101 6th St. SW; 202-488-3300, arenastage.org.

The Word Begins: Drama meets hip-hop culture and sketch comedy in Steve Connell and Sekou's thought-provoking multimedia play, through Dec. 2, $41-$63. Signature Theatre, 4200 Campbell Ave., Arlington; 703-845-0236, signaturetheatre.org.

LIVE COUNTRY | GUITAR HERO



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